



THE BANK OF ENGLAND, LONDON.

The grim granite structure that houses the Bank of England eloquently bespeaks the financial power which that institution exercises throughout the civilized world. Its edicts carry greater influence than those of Rome, and its power is further reaching than that of the Atlantic Ocean. By arbitrary fixing the rate of discount it can stem the ebullience of gold and cause it again to flow into its coffers. On its presentation of the financial needs of the kingdom it can dictate legislation of almost any kind. It has been well said that the Bank of England is the most powerful financial institution in the world.

In the very heart of London stands this low-browed massive structure, streaked with soot and without even a window in its outer walls. This absence of windows is supposed to give greater security to its valuable contents, the light within being received from interior courts and skylights. The structure looks therefore like a gigantic strong-box covering four acres of territory. Below the surface of the ground there are more rooms in this structure than on the ground floor. Architecturally it has nothing to attract, but it stands as a representative of a wealthy and influential empire.

WHAT IS GOOD?

"What is the real good?"
I asked in musing mood.
Order said the law court;
Knowledge said the school;
Truth said the wise man;
Peace said the fool;
Love said the maiden;
Beauty said the peer;
Economy said the farmer;
Home said the sage;
Fame said the soldier;
Equity said the seer;
Stark said the old lady;
The answer is not here;
Then within my bosom
Softly this I heard:
"Each heart holds the secret;
Kindness is the word."
John Boyle O'Reilly.

The Fateful Miss Douglas

Mrs. Ransom survived her brother-meditatively, while he returned the scrutiny with smiling cheerfulness. John MacPherson was a young man, almost thirty years old, with a pleasant face, and a pair of eyes that were not seen since her marriage a couple of years previous, so he did not in the least understand why she should sigh and remark seriously, "It's too bad, yes, it is!"

"What?" he asked, lazily.

"Why, that you got here just the day after Isabel Douglas left town."

Responded pretty little Mrs. Ransom. "She's the dearest girl! She's—"

"Lives in Kentucky, beautiful as a dream, glorious brown eyes, most charming disposition on earth, is—"

"Where'd you meet her?" broke in Mrs. Ransom, breathlessly.

"I never had the pleasure," laughed her brother. "Only I had to sit on the whole evening during my visit to John and hear my hostess recount the charms of this most elusive Isabel. She had left there just the week before my arrival. I seem to cast a blighting shadow over her enjoyment, at any rate, she runs at my approach."



THE GIRL HERSELF, UNKIND THE ICE.

But if he had not seen her the fame of Miss Isabel Douglas was destined to haunt his ears. During his visit at his sister's he heard Miss Douglas name so frequently on the lips of the visitors that he grew half-irritated. It was impossible that any girl could be such a paragon and if she was he had no desire to know her.

When he reached Chicago on his homeward way he stopped to transact some business. Phillips, his lawyer, was most cordial in making his New York client come out to his house and MacPherson was half-induced to accept. His frame of mind experienced an instantaneous change, however, when Phillips added:

"We've a visitor coming to-morrow you'd like to meet, I know—Miss Isabel Douglas of Kentucky. She—"

"Sorry," said Mr. MacPherson, decidedly, "but I can't wait over a day on any account, my dear man."

Even in New York he was not left in peace. One of the newspapers printed a page of pictures and gossip about beautiful women and lady glances. It over the name of Douglas caught his eye. He glanced at her—looked closer, yes, the first name was Isabel. Then he searched for the picture of her and stared at it half indignantly. It was a very lovely face, more than that, it was high-bred and thoughtful, as well as perfect in line and form. In a few weeks she had passed out of his mind entirely.

But John MacPherson was not to slip out of the clutches of determined fate in this easy fashion. With no warning whatever, no premonitions of the trap before him, he climbed the steps of a Fifth Avenue house one night to fulfill a dinner engagement.

His hostess was a charming woman, and her dinner was famous. He was in a very pleasant frame of mind. As he opened the little envelope containing the name of his dinner partner he exclaimed to himself that the well-trained footman could not forbear a

glance of astonishment. On the card was the name of Isabel Douglas. MacPherson, instantly in revolt, meditated flight for an instant, then realized how impossible that was and that there was nothing to do but go downstairs and meet her.

At any rate, she should not add him to the list of victims, report said, strewed her path.

He entered the big drawing room and greeted his hostess.

"I've favored you tonight," that lady said, smiling. "I've given you the prettiest and kindest girl here to take out to dinner. Do you know Miss Douglas of Kentucky?"

"I do not," said the helpless John MacPherson, crisply, and mentally set his teeth. He two minutes it was all over and he was properly introduced to her. Just which he had expected Mrs. Douglas to be, and to say the least, he had braced himself for resistance. But to his bewilderment, like a dash of cool water in his face, he realized there was absolutely nothing to resist.

Miss Douglas, far lovelier than her picture, had given him one rare, cordial smile which seemed the secret of her power; for it was a smile speaking a sympathetic interest in the individual addressed, and then had not paid very much more attention to him, being interested in the conversation of the other guests.

MacPherson studied her at his leisure, and as the evening passed found himself grasping wildly at all his ingrained prejudices against her. He had wit enough to reflect in a panic-stricken way that if the mere sight of

marry you as soon as I wheedle you into naming the day, for fear you'll change your mind."

Then he telegraphed his sister out West, who knew nothing of what had been going on in New York. Mrs. Ransom laughed and cried alternately when she got the laconic message. "I said."

"I have at last met Isabel. You can buy your gown to wear to the wedding," Philadelphia Bulletin.

CACTUS IN MICHIGAN.

Supposed to Have Been Taken There by Migrating Zeals.

In the northern part of Muskegon county, Michigan, in the township of Blue Lake is an extraordinary vegetable growth, whose origin is a puzzle to scientists and has been the basis of many stories and legends that are familiar to every one in that region. This strange phenomenon, a writer in Harper's Weekly says, is a large patch of cactus, of the prickly pear variety, and covers an area of several acres. The plant is a native of a warm climate and grows naturally in the southwestern part of the United States, making its presence in northern Michigan all the more remarkable.

The cactus patch is not of recent origin, but probably has been there for several centuries, according to the Indian legends. Some forty years ago a member of the Agricultural Department, while driving through Muskegon county, came across the strange prickly growth. After a thorough examination he stated that undoubtedly the plant was a native of Arizona and had been introduced into the north by Indians in their migrations. This supposition has been borne out by the tales which the Indians living in the Blue Lake region were accustomed to tell the early settlers.

In a general way these stories all recorded the wanderings of a band of Zuni Indians who were driven from their home in Arizona by another tribe, and were forced to settle in what is now the state of Michigan. The year 1400 is approximately the date of this migration. These Indians, it is said, brought with them some of the cactus plants which were so plentiful in the southern deserts, and although the Michigan climate was very different from that in Arizona this strange form of vegetation flourished. In proof of this story the Michigan authorities made some notable dishes from the tender shoots of the cactus, according to a recipe handed down from their ancestors.

The Art of Overlooking.

Nobody can live in the world and not admit that the words "Nothing for nothing" contain a sad amount of truth. He is of course a fool who does not count the cost so far as the future is concerned, but scarcely less a fool is he who does not overlook past costs. If we have any good or delightful thing in this life at all, hazards let us not taint our enjoyment by considering what we gave for it. We have more than we could afford. Never mind, we have afforded it, we have made our purchase. Let us take off the ticket with the price and burn the receipt. There are items in life's ledger which must be overlooked unless we would spend all our days in balancing closed accounts.

Lawyer's Instinct.

A barrister noted for absence of mind was once witnessing a representation of "Macbeth" and on the witches replying to the Thane's inquiry that they were "doing a deed without a name," catching the sound of the words, he started up, exclaiming, to the astonishment of the audience:

"A deed without a name? Why, it's void! It's not worth sixpence."—Tit-Bits.

Music in the Air.

"Which would you prefer your wife to do, play the violin or piano?"

"Violin. It would be easier to chuck out of the window."—Bon Vivant.

Talk to any man five minutes, and he will tell you how much better business was last year.

AD WOLGAST CHAMPION.

Defeat of Battling Nelson Brings Him Light-Weight Title.

Battling Nelson is not the durable Dane any more. The conqueror of Joe Gans was forced to relinquish his hold on the light-weight boxing championship in forty rounds to Ad Wolgast of Milwaukee at Point Richmond, Cal. Nelson was not counted out, but probably would have been in that session had not Referee Smith called a halt and awarded the fight and title to Wolgast. When the battle was stopped the Dane was in a pitiable condition. One of his eyes were completely closed and the other parts of his face were swollen to twice their size. Besides he was tottering under the ring too weak to hold up his hands. This was the first time that Nelson, since he sprang into the limelight in 1902 by beating Geo. Menzies in Milwaukee, was beaten to a standstill at his own game of slugging. The most his master at the identical style which won him the light-weight championship of the world and also made him famous.

Wolgast's victory was complete and decisive. Had Referee Smith not stopped the contest and it had gone the limit he would have been given the verdict. He had the better of nearly every round and during the course of the forty rounds struck probably five blows to Nelson's three in every session. Wolgast has been fighting exactly four years, having entered the game in 1906 in Cadillac, Mich., where he was born Feb. 8, 1888.

ST. LOUIS CAR RUNS AMUCK.

Brakes Do Not Work and Trolley Takes Incline at High Speed.

Its brakes out of commission, a Park avenue car dashed a quarter of a mile down a steep incline on Park avenue, St. Louis, at full speed, spreading death and destruction before it, was halted by crashing into the curb. One man was killed outright, several others were injured, and two carriages were demolished, while the car was a complete wreck. John Voyce, 54 years old, was thrown beneath the wheels of the car when it struck his carriage and was crushed to death, while his companion was badly hurt.

When the millionaires, newsmen, doctors, clergymen and merchants who have been combing Cleveland for a new religion for the Young Men's Christian Association would have their campaign they had \$220,151.69. The money was raised at the rate of \$130 a minute.

Sixty Poisoned at Church Feast. Sixty residents of Delaware, N. J., who attended a Washington's birthday festival in the Presbyterian church several days ago have developed symptoms of ptomaine poisoning. Six are seriously ill. Tainted ice cream is blamed.

Butler of Tibet Deposed.

The Chinese government has deposed the dala lama as head of the Tibetan government and in an official statement explains its action on the ground that the nominal ruler desecrated the capital following an attempt by him to organize a general revolt.

Withdraws Rich, Public Land.

Secretary Ballinger has withdrawn from entry in Montana 121,210 acres of land pending the classification and valuation of rich coal deposits there. In about 122,150 acres of possible coal lands pending examination.

Pierce Gilds Sweep Britain.

A fierce gale has swept over the British Isles, doing an immense amount of damage. The harbors are all crowded with shipping, seeking shelter. Growing vessels report extremely rough passages.

Deputy Sheriff and Negro Slain.

Deputy Sheriff W. H. Lacey, in an effort to arrest a negro near Memphis, was shot and instantly killed by the negro, who in turn was killed by another deputy sheriff.

Killed in C. & N. St. P. Wreck.

A broken rail wrecked a Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul passenger train near Hastings, Minn. John Williams, baggage man, was killed.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY.

To prevent the possession of any land by a single owner, the Canadian Northern has decided to organize a labor agency of its own. The common council of Duluth adopted the proposed franchise of the Canadian Northern road for entrance to the city. The road is required to pay street assessments the same as any other property.

Exploitation of the benefits of good roads to both State and farmer, methods of road building, agricultural schools as a means of increasing the State's wealth, and similar questions will occupy much of the time of the conservation and agricultural development congress which will be held in St. Paul.

The manager of the Millbrook Land and Cattle Co. of Wyoming, had a large number of head of buffalo, near Litchfield, Alberta, Can., that he can raise a heavier yield of oats upon the Laramie plains than can be raised anywhere else in the world. This farm took the gold medal at the St. Louis world's fair for oats in competition with the whole world.

Armour & Co. of Chicago closed in Minneapolis a deal which means the establishment at Hill City, Minn., of large factories for the manufacture of lard-pails and other packages for their own use. This part of their business has been carried on at Itasca and Maple Lake, Minn., for many years.

Having been about exhausted in Michigan they have been looking about for several months for a new location where the quantity of hardwood needed for their business was satisfactory.

Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, owner of the famous cow, "Gertie," which last month received from the Wisconsin State Fair a prize of twenty-six pounds of butter. This butter at 42 cents per pound amounted to practically \$11, to say nothing of the drinking extras the cow provided.

Large quantities of the spirit of whisky were taken from the hands of the strikers chosen at a recent meeting of strike leaders and manufacturers. All the strikers are to be taken back by their former employers, but the "open shop" condition insisted upon by the manufacturers is to prevail.



AT THE BEAUTIFUL GATE.

By Rev. C. A. S. Dwight, Ph. D.

"And a certain man whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask an alms of them that entered into the temple."—Acts 3:2.

The lame man of old was laid daily at the gate of the Temple which is called "Beautiful." The gate so described was probably the gate on the east which led from "the court of the women" to the inner court. While the other gates were overlaid with gold and silver this portal, according to Josephus, was made "of Corinthian bronze, and much surpassed in worth those enriched with silver and gold." The lame man was perhaps one of the most unfortunate individuals in Jerusalem, having no means of earning a livelihood, being quite friendless and certainly tormented by his physical condition.

The situation at the door of the Temple was both pathetic and promising. He could not walk in, but his thoughts could enter; he might not join in the praises of the worshiping hosts within, but he could catch something of the enthusiasm which brightened their faces as they came out. While he was outside the circle of love, intimate communion he was yet in the line of blessing and could make daily proof of the fact that it was better to be a lame door-keeper in the house of God than to dwell in luxury in the court of a riotous Herod.

It is impossible to tell how pure were the motives of the lame man in habitually frequenting the doorstep of the Lord's house. He was certainly after money—but if all who are after money in some shape were excluded from the religious congregations today, would he much more than in many communities they are. To a degree the lame man needed coin, and to a certain extent every man needs it, but if his thoughts and desires had been wholly centered upon money it is not likely that Peter and John would have been attracted to him, or even empowered by the Lord to work in his case a miraculous cure. Let us suppose that the lame man had some sincere interest in the Temple itself as well as in the tolls which he collected from the charitable, and that while not indifferent to the silver and the gold, he cared most of all for the spiritual message which such men as Peter and John had to give.

It was a fine thing then that the lame man got as far as the Beautiful Gate. Rich or poor, men alike need in their lives the beautifying touch, and hard prosaic lives need it most of all. Even if the lame man could not enter the Temple recesses he could look up and admire the architectural beauty of the temple and the gleam of that Corinthian bronze, brought a touch of brightness into his life. A geranium plant in the window of the city-temple, the tree struggling for stunted growth in a city street, all these are glimmers and gladdening of the aesthetic sense, the sense for color, for proportion, for harmony, which, often degraded to a godless "art," are yet susceptible of serving, when purified and idealized, the highest aims of the moral nature. The lame man was deformed in himself, but he was transformed by his daily look into the face of the Beautiful above him.

All men, however, athletic or vigorous or full of pride, are at some point weak—are somewhere in their being lame and impotent and in need of aims, or of a spiritual uplift far better than aims. There are beautiful Gates unto which we all alike need to come. God has made not one spot nor six in the Temple of old, but many such portals, in different parts of the physical, mental and moral world, and broad areas of higher experience.

There is first the Beautiful Gate of Faith. If the lame man had not in some degree had faith he would not have received from the miracle-working apostles what was better than aims—new health and strength—and what was better than physical health and quickening—the recreating of his spiritual mindhood, the renovation of his moral nature. Without faith it is impossible to please God, or to get any thing worth while done. He who would be successful in this life must be much at the Gate of Faith.

There is secondly the Gate of Prayer. Prayer is faith's voice, faith finds its expression through prayer. The prayerless man is almost essentially a weak and resourceless man. The lame man was weak, but he knew how to use his voice in prayer, and so he did not remain weak.

There is the Beautiful Gate of Love. The lame man appealed to the love that was in Peter and John, and did not fail to receive a response. Love is the very atmosphere of that land of delight into which the Gate Beautiful opens. When love dominates and permeates a human life heaven itself at once begins to be realized on earth. There is always in love an inherent beauty, an indestructible charm, and just because it is so the devil tries hard to disseminate the spirit of hate, which tends to pull down and destroy all Gates Beautiful everywhere.

There is the Beautiful Gate of Hope. The soul that is full of faith, prayer and love is consequently and naturally hopeful. Hope paints life in roseate hues, and while it may be unfounded in many cases, it is after all, when properly based and directed, one of life's strongest architectural forces. The Christian man is by that very term, and definition, a man of hope. The Beautiful Gate of Hope is where he loves to be, and which (to change the figure) ever enlarges and becomes the more radiant, as he gazes upon it, until finally it seems fairly merged in the vast expanse of the City Celestial.

Be sure to be often at the Beautiful Gate—not that which long ago fell into ruin at Jerusalem—but that which, even for the lowliest and lamest, offers

its invitation of spiritual blessing, and promises a hope and healing both heavenly and forever.

CULTIVATING HEAVENLY POWER.

By Rev. Joseph E. Bradley.

Now we are in training for work in the eternal world. God has purpose in entrusting us with heavenly powers, and the godly must be completely "furnished unto every good work." Such work must surely be an exhilaration, and every opportunity to do be an inspiration, and with immortal powers unflagging. Jesus has gone to prepare a place for us, and we are now preparing for our respective places at the right and left hand of God in honor and power, or in some inferior class, according as our several abilities shall be.

This work will be such as will glorify God in the exercise of His grace, filling us with wisdom and might, and love and joy, that He may carry blessings to others. Truly, such as we who have known God in the redemption of our souls, through Jesus Christ, are above all other creatures, for by this redemption we are differentiated from all others; and so qualified in fullest measure for such work; and being thus qualified we shall not rest in sloth and idleness throughout eternity.

We may be certain that if we have not gained the faculty, and love to work for others here and now, we shall be the same hereafter. If we fail to find work to do here, we will fail there. It is inconceivable that there should be drones in heaven, where the Father works, and the Holy Spirit works. There is sweet rest in heaven from every fear and torment, with tireless and free exercise of boundless desire and use of every occasion to do the will of God, our Father, having the mind of Christ in us.

HYMNS AND THEIR AUTHORS.

"STAR OF THE EAST."

By Bishop Steginald Heber.

Even a brief anthology of English hymns would of necessity contain several written by the talented and devoted Bishop of Calcutta. In his brief but intense ministry of nineteen years he accomplished much good both in England, in the country villages where he was first rector, and afterwards in London, and also in India. This hymn was written while he was rector at Hodney, about 1811. While it is intended for the first week of the new year, to celebrate the coming of the Magi to the infant Saviour, it is used and greatly enjoyed by congregations everywhere at all seasons.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning.

Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid.

Star of the east, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining.

Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall.

Angels adore him, in slumber reclining.

Maker and Monarch, and Savior of all.

Say shall we yield him, in costly devotion,

Odeurs of Eden and offerings of peace,

Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean.

Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,

Vainly with gold we do him his favors accrue.

Richer by far is the heart's adoration,

Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning.

Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid.

Star of the east, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

SERMONETTES.

Pride of wit indicates poverty of wisdom.

The only things as contagious as vices are virtues.

The piety that elopes over in meeting seldom flows over into duties.

No man is fit for good society who does not help society to goodness.

Some never let their light shine except through an advertising sign.

The man who has eaten well often thinks his smile will feed the hungry one.

Seldom do we regret words said when they would have been kind ones.

If we had fewer despairing Christians there would be fewer doubting people.

To be gentle with the wickedness of one may be but cruelty to the goodness of many.

It's not much use agonizing over the souls of your children if your home looks like a barn.

Only the blind will use the Bible to condemn others and not feel its indictment on himself.

The great question is not whether you want to go to heaven, but whether you are getting there.

DON'TS FOR CHURCHMEN.

Don't forget that the squint of envy causes most moral astigmatism.

Don't grind all principle away trying to be content with your polish.

Don't mistake your own pathology of humanity for a system of divinity.

Don't measure your truthfulness by your dexterity in juggling with the truth.

Don't ignore the difference between beating your drums and beating the devil.

Don't forget that he who knows no God outside his church knows none therein.

Don't fail to learn that finding some one who needs your help is the best cure for worry.

Don't get the delusion that you are overcoming your own sin by advertising those of others.

Don't become so anxious about your endings that you never get around to making a beginning.

Don't make the mistake of imagining yourself grounded on the faith when you are only stranded on its shoals.

In Accord with Experience.

"No tongue can tell how I suffered for five years with itching and bleeding eczema, until I was cured by the Cuticura Remedies, and I am so grateful I want the world to know, for what helped me will help others. My body and face were covered with sores. One day it would seem to be better, and then break out again with the most terrible pain and itching. I have been sick several times, but never in my life did I experience such awful suffering as with this eczema. I had made up my mind that death was near at hand, and I longed for that time when I would be at rest. I had tried many different doctors and medicines without success, and my mother brought me the Cuticura Remedies, insisting that I try them. I began to feel better after the first bath with Cuticura Soap, and one application of Cuticura Ointment.

"I continued with the Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment, and have taken four bottles of Cuticura Resolvent, and consider myself well. This was nine years ago and I have had no return of the trouble since. Any person having any doubt about this wonderful cure by the Cuticura Remedies can write to my address: Mrs. Altie Elson, 23 Inn Road, Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 16, 1909."

Has Anybody Found Him?

You wish to advertise for a lost dog, medium."

"Yes, sir."

"What's the description?"

"Well, he's just an ordinary dog, you know, kind of brown color."

"That isn't definite enough."

"And his name is Prince."

"That won't help to find him."

"I should think it would. He's the only dog I know of with that name."

"But, madam, hasn't some distinguishing peculiarity or mark about him?"

"Yes, sir, he likes limburger cheese."—Chicago Tribune.

TRAINED NURSE SPEAKS.

Mrs. Emma Doan's Kidney Pills Available.

Mrs. Emeline Green, nurse, Osage, Iowa, says: "I have nursed many cases of terrible kidney disorders and have found Doan's Kidney Pills the best remedy for such troubles. In confinement, when it is so necessary to have the kidneys in good condition, Doan's Kidney Pills are in a class alone. They are splendid also for backache, dizziness, bloating, retention and other kidney and bladder troubles."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

SUNSHINE NOT GOOD FOR ALL.

Blonde Races Fail to Thrive in Climate Like American Northwest.

Charles E. Woodruff, of Manila, P. I., discusses in the Medical Record the physical degeneration what is found to occur in north European races when they settle in the dry, bright atmosphere of the American northwest. Although the first generation does well, the second one is feeble, easily attacked by tuberculosis and other chronic diseases and the families die out in a few generations. The brunette races do well in bright sunshine, because they are accustomed to it, while the blondes are made nervous by it. But it is the northern blonde races that give us the strong brains that we need to perpetuate our nation, and these do not come from the brunette races of the south. It is important for us to preserve these blonde types, and to that end it is necessary that physicians should advise them to leave for the influences that injure them. The best way to avoid this is to have the blonde blood being wasted from our nation at present. Scandinavian colonization is impossible in the tropics. The average brain weight and intelligence increase as we go north in Europe, and this brain weight does count. We should favor the emigration of these northern races and preserve them as far as possible. Western and southern Alaska furnish a climate that is congenial to them. As a health resort for neurotics it is also of value, the cool damp air being helpful and quieting to the nervous system.

A GOOD CHANGE.

A Change of Food Works Wonders.

The wrong food and drink causes a lot of trouble in this world. To change the food is the first duty of every person that is ill, particularly from stomach and nervous troubles. As an illustration: A lady in Mo. has, with her husband, been brought around to health again by leaving off coffee and some articles of food that did not agree with them. They began using Postum and Grape-Nuts Food. She says:

"For a number of years I suffered with stomach and bowel trouble which kept getting worse until I was very ill most of the time. About four years ago I left off coffee and began taking Postum. My stomach and bowels improved right along, but I was so reduced in flesh and so nervous that the least thing would overcome me. Then I changed my food and began using Grape-Nuts in addition to Postum. I lived on these two principally for about four months. Day by day I gained in flesh and strength until now the nervous trouble has entirely disappeared and I feel that I owe my life and health to Postum and Grape-Nuts."

"Husband is 73 years old and he was troubled, for a long time, with occasional cramps, and slept badly. Finally, I prevailed upon him to leave off coffee and take Postum. He had stood out for a long time, but after he tried Postum for a few days he found that he could sleep and that his cramps disappeared. He was satisfied and has never gone back to coffee."

"I have a brother in California who has been using Postum for several years; his whole family use it also because they have had such good results from it."

"Look in pkg. for the little book, 'The Road to Wellville.' There's a Reason."

Ever read this above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Crawford Avenche.

O. F. PALMER, Editor and Proprietor.

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HomeCircleDepartment

A column dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Crude thoughts as they fall from the Editorial Pen—Pleasant Evening Reveries.

After a woman is married she sometimes wishes she had hung up a horse shoe instead of a mistletoe.

It is the circumstances and environments of life that have much to do with downing many a young man who has started out in life with the brightest prospects of success but who has too often said, "I don't care."

We allow little difficulties, often imaginary ones, that would vanish at the slightest show of resistance, to deter us from doing many things both great and small, the memories of which would bring us our sweetest joys in after years.

Many of us can unfold the pages of memory and again hear loving words of our own sainted mothers. We see again the loving look in her eyes. We almost hear again the gentle accents of her voice and we feel, even though the lapse of years, her influence around us.

A good deed done is not a thing completed and finished; a good thing done is nothing less than an endless series of good things set in motion. A kindly service rendered is not infrequently far-reaching. A cup of cold water to a famishing life may create many fountains of joy. A flower brought to a chamber of sorrow may set in motion many agencies of the soul. Ministration to a bird of wounded wing may start voices of song that otherwise might never have been heard. A tear wiped away may cause a passing through the clouds into the region of light.

Young man, beware of the first oath and the first vulgar utterance, the first cigarette, the first glass of wine, the first glass of beer, the first mingling with evil companions. You may think you are strong enough to indulge in these and break away from them at your will, but you never made a greater mistake in all your life. Each one is like an octopus. They will gradually wind their arms around you and death is the only thing strong enough to tear you from their deadly embrace.

Unto those who are really attempting to make the world better for their living in it, how much they need a word of encouragement and how few they receive, even by those who know it. Many feel their hallowed influence but how slow to praise it; many realize their works of goodness, yet grow jealous of our development of amiability and grace. It is not for the few who do nothing but read fine books and hear fine music to call themselves genial and harmonious. He simply reflects and re-echoes the influence brought to bear upon him. But take the woman whose life is spent on the warpath, who never has the time for profitable reading, whose tastes and dreams and hopes went under long ago, like toy boats in a gale, and let her be happy and laughter-loving and gay even at long intervals and there is a heroine for you! Some day she is going to have a good time, never you doubt it. And whether it comes here or yonder its fullness and completeness of joy will shine away forever the memory of life's cloudy days and grievous battles.

I DON'T CARE.

"I don't care!" How often we hear young people say this! My young friend, you ought to care—aye, you will care, perhaps, when it is too late. "Don't care" has ruined thousands. It has filled jails and almshouses, and murderers' graves. It has wrung the hearts of parents. It has broken them, and it brought deep blushes to a sister's cheeks. Many persons partake of the blessings they bring, yet in their enjoyment of them forget the giver altogether. Learn to be appreciative, and by a little word of love, kindness and encouragement help others, and it will bring sunshine into your own life and gladness in all your ways.

The happiest days of our childhood were those that seemed most pleasant to our dear mother. Kindness and politeness are indispensable to a happy home. There is no place on earth so delicate and sensitive as home, its fires are easily kindled, its flowers are easily bruised. Here our hearts wear out covering, things that in the outside world we would pass by in sport, at home would wound us to the quick. One bitter word would mar the happiness of home for a whole day, while pleasant words and acts will bring peace and pleasure. It is too often the case that kind words and courteous manners are reserved until "company is in," and only careless

manners and sometimes harsh cross words used in the every-day home life.

As care and attention to a garden is rewarded with choice flowers and fruits, so the care, love, and attention given to a wife gives us choice children and happier homes.

Advice is cheap, you know, and men, of all created beings, like it the least. But what if it proved a matter of dollars and cents? You all like money and appreciate its importance as a factor of the happy home. So if we tell you how every man of you, who has ever tried the experiment, can save from fifteen to twenty percent of his expenses during the coming year, you will probably listen. Now, that is just what we mean to do. It is simple and easy and sure to work. Just tell your wife all about your business affairs. Show her your balance sheet, let her study it, and if she doesn't know how, just teach her.

You think it will make her feel badly; that it will make her feel blue. Well, that will depend entirely on the way in which you do it. If you begin by declaring that there is not another family in town runs such bills as yours, and that there is more money spent for the least show about that house than any other you can find, she will feel hurt, and if she has not had all the spirit taken out of her by your unfair treatment, she will resent it a dozen times a day. Tell her that you have played the bully and the fool.

But on the other hand, if you approach her as if she were an intelligent being, with soul and sense and self respect equal to your own, you find an interested listener, willing and anxious to learn all you can teach her on the subject of family finances, and although she may do a little quiet weeping before the interview is ended they will be tears of joy she sheds, that at last, after years of waiting and hoping, you have come to realize that she is your friend and may be your helper, instead of the child like which you have treated her by shutting her up like an oyster when she ventured to ask a question any way relevant to business matters, and studiously avoiding in conversation with her everything connected with that great mystery.

SAVED A SOLDIER'S LIFE.

Facing death from shot and shell in the civil war was more agreeable to L. A. Stone, of Kemp, Tex., than facing it from what doctors said was consumption. "I contracted a suburban cold," he writes, "that developed a cough, that stuck to me in spite of all remedies for years. My weight ran down to 130 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery which completely cured me. I now weigh 175 pounds." For Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Asthma, Hemorrhages, Hoarseness, Croup, Whooping cough and lung trouble, its supreme. 50c. 1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by A. M. Lewis & Co.

HOMESEEKERS

EXCURSION DATES

New Departure on The Part of the Michigan Central Railroad

There has been a new departure on the part of the Michigan Central in the matter of homeseeekers excursions. Heretofore it has been the policy of the railroad to run these low fare excursions only in the spring and fall. Now it is announced that they will be run twice a month during the balance of the entire year.

These excursions will be from South Bend, Ind., Chicago, Michigan City, Benton Harbor, Toledo, Niles and Jackson and they will be run on the following dates: March 15 and 27, April 5 and 19, May 3 and 17, June 7, 21, July 5 and 19, August 2 and 16, September 6 and 20, October 13 and 27, November 1 and 15, December 6 and 20. In these excursions a most excellent opportunity is afforded for bringing people from the southern sections to look over the opportunities for establishing themselves on the lands of Crawford and surrounding counties. It is very likely that an effort will be made to urge people to avail themselves of this new order of things, and that good results in the way of settling up the lands will come from the many excursions.

HOW GOOD NEWS SPREADS.

"I am 70 years old and travel most of the time," writes B. P. Tolson, of Elizabethtown, Ky. "Everywhere I go I recommend Electric Bitters, because I owe my excellent health and vitality to them. They effect a cure every time." They never fail to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. They work wonders for weak, run-down men and women, restoring strength, vigor and health that's a daily joy. Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction is positively guaranteed by A. M. Lewis & Co.

Makes Celluloid Fireproof.

M. Gervin, a French chemist, has patented a process for rendering the deadly celluloid half brush and comb safe from explosion when it comes accidentally in contact with the gas flame by the dresser. According to a consular report this result is obtained by adding to a celluloid mass in course of preparation, just at the moment when it is most liquid, a certain quantity of salts—phosphates, bicarbonates, etc.—which, when heated by fire on a flame, gives out a gas that checks combustion. In fact, immersion of articles made of celluloid in solutions of any of these salts reduces its inflammability.

Northeastern Michigan Empire of Opportunity

Plans for Developing Singularly Resourceful Section of Country Are Now Well Under Way.

Good Men Selected From All Parts of District Capable of Accomplishing Purposes of Strong Organization.

Northeastern Michigan, the empire of opportunity, is at last in a fair way to be systematically developed. Articles of association have been filed and the organization known as The Northeastern Development Bureau is in shape to do business.

For years men have dreamed of the possibilities of that wonderfully favored and resourceful section of this commonwealth known as Northeastern Michigan. But the days of dreaming are over. Men have realized fondly dreamt dreams in the golden west, the northwest Dakotas, Minnesota, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and other places, while we have dreamed of possibilities at home. The awakening is at hand however, and men of Michigan have begun to realize that the sun will never cast choicer rays of mellow gold than he has favored us of Northeastern Michigan with.

Men of business experience have learned what co-operation can do and the pick of Northeastern Michigan's commercial manhood have been banded together for the most laudable purpose of developing this section of the country. The purpose call it what you will, altruistic or egoistic or selfish, is right and timely. Think what nature has done for Northeastern Michigan—lumber, coal, marl, gypsum, limestone, building stone, inexhaustible water power, alabaster, salt, fertile land adaptable to sheep-raising, ranges of all kinds of stock-raising, hardy fruit of all kinds, grain, vegetables, in fact most anything that any country has. All it needs is the master touch of man development.

For years, the publisher of this paper has tried to impress its readers of the possibilities of Northeastern Michigan. Back in the days when the musical echo of the woodchuck's cry proclaimed that the golden age of commerce was in its hardy youth, the development of resources other than the single lumber product of the state's policy could be seen.

Modern men have at last taken hold. The Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau is a reality and concerted effort will bring progress and prosperity to this great area from Bay City to the Straits, and from the rising sun-kissed shores of Huron to the neck of Lake Michigan, Cheboygan, Alpena, Ojibway, Munising, Roscommon, Gaylord, Grayling, Alcona, Au Gres, Harrisville, Tawas, East Tawas, Rose City, Turner, Standish, Omar, Gladwin, West Branch, Pinconning and other places are centers for the activities of this great plan.

When you have such men as Rasmus Hanson, of Grayling; Ver S. Motoway, of Cheboygan; J. G. Dufosse, of Alpena; Senator Forsyth, of Standish; Frank Buell, of Bay City and North Michigan; James K. Shody, of Ojibway; T. E. Marston and E. E. Evans, of Bay City; Joseph S. Hull, of Detroit; and J. B. Kelly, of Roscommon, engineering the movement, to say nothing of the substantial business men deeply interested, it looks like success.

The articles of association include the counties of Bay, Gladwin, Arenac, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Crawford, Otsego, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda, Saginaw and such other counties as may hereafter qualify. The term for which the articles are filed is thirty years from Jan. 20, 1911.

The first officers and those named in the articles of association are: President, Ver S. Motoway; Cheboygan, vice president, Frank Buell, of Bay City; secretary, T. E. Marston; Bay County treasurer, R. Hanson, Grayling; executive committee, E. Buell, E. E. Evans, Bay City; A. Forsyth, Standish; J. G. Dufosse, Alpena; H. A. Savage, Saginaw. More names will likely be added to the executive committee at the next meeting. Mr. Hanson has resigned as treasurer, because he intends to be out of the state good part of the year, and a new treasurer will have to be chosen.

The directors of the bureau are given as H. A. Savage, E. H. Patterson, E. E. Evans, A. Forsyth, T. E. Marston, A. J. Stevens, Rasmus Hanson, Orlando F. Barnes, F. A. Kramer, Frank Buell, J. B. McRea, Frank Ford, A. R. Canfield, O. E. Wilder, Horatio Foster, B. H. Carter, W. B. Crawl, J. J. Trayer, Thomas Yonill, G. G. French, Nelson Sharpe, Wm. Stope, Len J. Patterson, A. W. Black, E. S. Spegge, L. G. Dufosse, D. M. Kneeland, J. H. Kelly.

The bureau has money in the bank and is ready to go ahead and do business. With harmony prevailing as it now does we can confidently look forward to success.

It is up to all of us to work towards the one end. The more Northeastern Michigan prospers, the more its residents will prosper. Get in the game and keep in it. Be a booster if you can be and as you should be. Be a knocker if you feel that way, but don't be a quitter. Northeastern Michigan is the best part of the United States. Its soil will yield up millions when fully developed. Fortunes await those who will take them and the time to start taking them is NOW. Bay City Democrat.

MISS THE NEW AND MOD

Reasons Why Some Few People Are Unable to Live Comfortably in the Country.

The necessity which some people feel for noisy surroundings was mentioned by a famous specialist in giving a medical explanation of the case of little Horace Collins, the heroic messenger boy, says the London Daily Mail. The lad, although able to gratify every wish as the guest of Lord Lansdowne at Bowood house, has a mastering longing for the bustle and light of the London streets.

"It is a very clear case of nostalgia," said the doctor. "A person suffering like that has lost two everyday friends, as it were—noise and light. It is entirely due to the nerves. Our nervous system gets into a pronounced groove in accordance with the everyday condition under which we live. A sudden change in living throws the nervous system out of gear. Both light and noise are nervous stimuli to people who live amid noise and light. Take away the comradeship of noise and light, and the nervous system loses two stimulants necessary to its well being and suffers in consequence. With the boy Collins the fact that he does not see policemen troubles him because policemen to him have become an important part of the natural scheme of things. "A very similar case occurred with a London housekeeper of mine. She was sent away to the country, and simply could not endure to live there. She missed the companionship of noise so much that she had to be brought back to town again quickly, for her health was beginning to suffer."

THE POISONS IN COAL GAS

Many Are Known, But There Is One Constituent That Is a Puzzle to Scientists.

The poisonous properties of coal gas are generally attributed to its content of carbonic oxide, especially as no other substance of known poisonous properties has been found in it, and patients suffering from coal gas poisoning show the symptoms associated with the inhalation of carbonic oxide, including the peculiar bright red color of the blood. From experiments made by Dr. von Vahlen, at Halle, it seems probable that we must revise this view, for on making experiments with toxic animals poisonous to carbonic oxide, it was found that they were poisoned far more readily by coal gas than by the corresponding amount of the oxide. Other experiments with dogs showed that the poisonous effect of coal gas was twice, or three times as great as that of the carbonic oxide it contained. Evidently there is some other constituent of coal gas which is poisonous, though what it is cannot yet be stated. Merely removing the carbonic oxide from coal gas will not suffice to render it non-poisonous. The fromonger.

The Eggman in Philadelphia.

A young farmer from Clementon, N. J., was selling eggs at the corner of Fourth and South streets when a bar tender walked up to him and asked him the price of a dozen eggs. The farmer answered, "Eighty cents a dozen," and as there was an extra egg in the dozen he wanted three cents extra, but the bartender wanted it "throwed in with the bargain."

"Well," said the one who sells the liquor, "I will take the egg and treat you to a drink."

"All right," said the farmer. When they came to the tavern he was asked what he would drink to which he replied:

"Well, I'll drink sherry with an egg in it."

And they say farmers buy gold bricks—Philadelphia Times.

John Chinaman Drinking Up.

"Men, women and children of my own race have stopped to drink before that mirror," said the New York drug clerk, "but yesterday was the first time I ever saw a Chinaman try to make himself look pretty. He wasn't an Anglified Chinaman, either. He wore a queue, a slouch hat, baggy blue trousers and turned up his shirt just as Chinese as he could be. But he had been dressed for a ball and he couldn't have taken greater pains with himself. He smoothed his hair, picked up his necktie, hitched up his trousers, straightened his hat and studied the set of his shoes. Apparently he was well pleased with himself. Any way, he went away grinning. I'd give a quarter to know what was up."

People Who Argue.

There are some people who are never convinced. They will argue subject out for hours at a stretch and be no nearer a solution than they were at the start. It is hopeless to try to convince such a person on any subject. The truth is, it gives them pleasure to argue, and the more you disagree with them the better they are pleased. If you find yourself dropping into the habit, try to drop out again as soon as possible.

On His Desk.

The ink called the blotter an old bunk, then the light started. The ruler got her foot in it, inch by inch, and instead of helping her out, the stamps stuck to the envelopes and let the pen holder. The keys were in a bunch, so the pencil lead them away and let the paper weight.

At this stage of the battle the paper knife stepped in, cut out the light and ellence reigned supreme—Judge.

No Poetry in His Business.

"Does it not throw a shade of bitterness into your heart," said the poetess to youth, "to see the trees all laden and to hear the wind sighing in mournful monotony? Does it not make you feel that there is too much that is bleak in the world?"

"No," answered the practical youth, "it does not."

"Because my father is in the coal business,"—Stray Strodes.

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Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
In the matter of the estate of Fred Hoelsel, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of said court, made on the fifteenth day of February, A. D. 1910, I shall sell at public auction, on the second day of April, A. D. 1910, at one o'clock in the afternoon at the front door of the Court House, in the Village of Grayling in said county, the interest of said estate in the following described real estate, to wit: Northeast quarter of section twenty-six, in township twenty-seven, north of range two west.
Dated this 15th day of February, A. D. 1910.

HUGO SCHREIBER
Administrator.

Levels Locals.

Mr. Locke has returned to his ranch.
Mrs. Chrysler was at Johannesburg Friday on business.

W. B. Craft has been spending a couple of weeks at Lovells for the purpose of organizing a society of the Ancient Order of Gleaners.

The law says that Wednesday we can take ducks out of the river. The ducks are here, and we will give them a loud invitation to come into our yards.

Ray Hinton has returned from Ohio and is stopping at the ranch for the present. Northern Michigan has good place to come too for employment, and to learn money.

The ice harvest is ended for this season, the drawing being finished several days ago. Below we give the names of those who won the cakes.

T. E. Douglas, C. W. Ward, C. F. Tanderhill, Salvage, Perry, Worst and Boutell.

We have plenty of snow for sleighing. We will not state the depth lest some one might doubt our veracity. The ground is not frozen, clover is well protected, as are the trees on the Forest farm. An eight foot fence is not necessary to retain the snow this winter. It seems willing to stay without a fence.

STUBBORN AS MULES

are liver and bowels sometimes seem to balk without cause. Then there's trouble—Loss of Appetite—Indigestion, Nervousness, Despondency, Headache, But such troubles before Dr. King's New Life Pills, the world's Best Stomach and Liver remedy. 25c. at A. M. Lewis & Co.

Cedar Posts Wanted.

Bids to furnish 2,000 Cedar Posts or any part thereof, to be delivered at the Wilnora Rancho, formerly known as the Montgomery place, on or before April 15th, 1910, posts to be not less than 7 1/2 feet long and not less than 6 inches across the top. Separate bids are solicited for posts 8 feet long of the same size. Also bids to furnish 70 white oak corner posts 9 feet long and 6 inches across small end. All bids to be submitted in writing and addressed to John Hanna, Agent, Wellington, Mich.

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Everything in our stock is Bright, New, Desirable. We solicit your patronage, and offer a stock entirely new and in every respect first class. Our large fall stock reduced to a low notch, and during January and February our clearing sales made a clean sweep of all odds, ends and broken lines. After that we visited the leading markets, carefully selecting the choicest merchandise, and the fruit of our labors, the best stock in this section are ready for your inspection, and we respectfully invite you to join us in our Grand Spring Opening. If you want to see the new things, you must come where they are.

You will find everything that is desirable in our splendidly assorted stock. For months we have been studiously selecting the best things offered by traveling salesmen, and have also explored the leading markets for choice styles and exceptional values. We have succeeded beyond even our own expectations, and those of our customers who have inspected the new stock say that it is not only superior to any other in this locality but also excels our own previous efforts.

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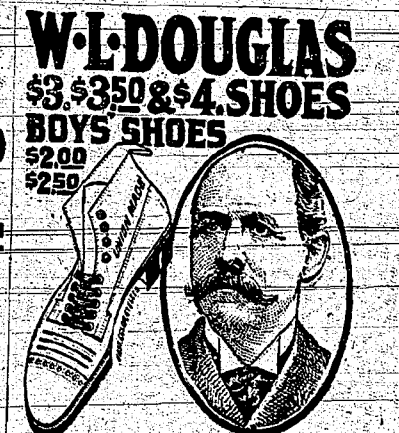
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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 3

Local and Neighboring News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are \$1.50 per year in advance. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and cannot be considered later.

For clean coal go to Bates.

A good house for sale. Enquire of L. Fournier.

St. Charles coal, the best in the market, for sale by George Langevin.

Mrs. Alfred Olson spent Sunday with her people of Gaylord.

For Hooping Valley Coal, none better, go to Bates.

If you want the best Michigan, Ohio, or Virginia Coal, go to Bates.

Mrs. Chris Hanson gave a coffee party Saturday afternoon to a number of her friends.

Mrs. Andrew Larson entertained a number of ladies at an afternoon coffee, Tuesday.

Bates sells coal strictly on its merits, and by weight.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVALANCHE office.

When you get tired burning Slack, go to Bates and get Domestic Lump Coal.

The Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Keeler Friday afternoon March 4. All members requested to be present.

Wm. Millikin and G. Frank Taylor of Beaver Creek were in town Wednesday.

Every man's life is a failure who does not try to do something to leave the world richer than he found it.

Beech and Maple Block Wood for furnaces. Leave orders with SALLING, HANSON COMPANY.

Miss Katherine McPeak came home from Detroit last week, and seems happy meeting old friends.

Buy your coal of George Langevin. You will get the best and at the right price, delivered.

If you want a new, up-to-date house at less than real value, call on Andy Larson at Peterson's grocery store.

Mrs. V. U. Lankey came up from Bay City Saturday to spend a few days with her husband, Traimaster Lankey.

For Sale: 20-acre farm in Genesee Co. Good buildings, fine well water, women, very fertile, four miles from village, cheap for cash, or will trade for city property. Inquire of 10-2 Wm. Mosier, Grayling.

Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Does your cough annoy you at night, and do you raise mucus in the morning? If so, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you will be pleased. Sold by all dealers.

Special meetings are being held this week in the Presbyterian church, the congregations of the M. E. and Presbyterian churches uniting, preaching alternately by Rev. Ivy and Fleming. Everybody invited.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from erratic constitution, indigestion, biliousness, dyspepsia, sallowness of skin and dizziness. Sold by all dealers.

For Sale: Cock White Leghorn, and 4 hens; also three Buff Leghorn cocks. Price reasonable. Also eggs for hatching. White and Buff Leghorns.

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Medicines that aid nature are the most successful. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Sold by all dealers.

NOTICE—Wait for the Presbyterian fair just before Easter to buy work and fancy aprons, gingham and cambric aprons, embroidered sets, crash towels and many other useful articles.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are safe, sure and reliable and have been praised by thousands of women who have been restored to health through their gentle aid and curative properties. Sold by all dealers.

Why is a newspaper like a pretty woman? To be perfect it must be the embodiment of many types. Its form is made up. It is always chased, though inclined to be faddy. It enjoys a good press; the more rapid the better. It has a weakness for gossip. It talks a good deal. Can stand some praise and it's awfully proud of a new dress.

Fully nine out of every ten cases of pneumonia is simply pneumonia of the muscles, due to cold or damp, or chronic rheumatism, neither of which require any internal treatment. All that is needed to afford relief is the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. Give it a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the quick relief which it affords. Sold by A. M. Lewis & Co.

The heating season is now on. Have the heating season the question? Save one-half of your fuel by having F. R. Decker install an up-to-date, steam or hot water system. He wants your patronage. Satisfaction guaranteed. Ask for an estimate.

Miss Molly Johnson of Gaylord was the guest of Miss Bertha Woodburn who has been home from her school for a week's vacation.

Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Bradley of Frederic were in town Saturday, spending the day with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain.

The Catholic ladies will serve a 10c lunch, at the home of Mrs. Geo. Tyler, Saturday, March 5th, from 4 to 7 p. m. Everybody cordially invited.

A little ice,
A little snow,
A careless step,
And away you go.

This is a poor season for the oldest inhabitant. He can't say that this winter "wasn't as cold as it used to be when he was a boy."

"I hope I shall always possess firmness enough to maintain what I consider the most equitable of all titles, the character of an honest man."

Washington,
Mrs. Chas. T. Kerry has returned to her home in Saginaw after spending a few days in town with Mr. Kerry, and attending the Hanson-Meistrup wedding.

Hugo Schrieber left last week on a visit to friends in Lansing and his brother-in-law at Jackson. Hugo's youngest daughter, Rose, is also tarrying with friends in Chicago.

Our Calander Samples for 1911 have arrived, and the line is larger, finer and cheaper than ever before. We shall exhibit them to our customers in a few days, and hope to receive their orders.

A town never loses anything by extending a royal welcome to every deserving stranger who appears in its midst. Hospitality is a priceless gem, but it costs very little.

Rosecommon High School boys came up last week to do up our High School Basketball team. They are nice boys, but can't play ball, so our boys let them off to the tune of 21 to 8 for the first lesson.

Somebody claims to have discovered a substance which is 300 times sweeter than sugar. The substance is supposed to be about 18 years old, wears a bustle, and is not as scarce in some communities as would be supposed.

News was received here last week of the death of Dr. H. H. Fitzgerald, at his home in Coldwater, Wednesday, Feb. 23, from pneumonia. He was a former resident of Grayling and had many friends in this vicinity. He leaves a wife and one child to whom we extend sympathy.

The midnight passenger train on the Michigan Central railroad was delayed Friday night about 11 hours, several coaches leaving the track while crossing over a switch between Warren and Utica, which delayed traffic on the Detroit division. That no one was injured is considered fortunate.

According to the latest government report there is still about 50 per cent of the potato crop of 1909 in the hands of the farmer and the dealer. Local prices have ranged of late from 15 to 18c. That being the case the outlook for anything like a paying price is somewhat dubious. Kalamazoo leader.

The special meetings in progress in the M. E. and Presbyterian churches are proving their value in several hopeful conversions and the quickening of the religious life of the churches. The attendance is not what it might be, but there is an increase, however. Services are held this week in the M. E. church.

After an absence of many years the 17-year locusts will make their appearance in the early spring and how to get rid of these destructive insects is now a puzzle to the state entomologists, who in their report give this class of insects much comment.

The death knell of the straight-up and down form for ladies, was sounded last week at the National Clothing show, held at the Arlington hotel, Washington. This spring it will be bad form to let it be known that there are such things as feminine hips and busts, and the waist line, for a while at least, will be well at the waist line.

There was a young girl in Pail River, who was sent to the store for some liver. She went to a show, and spent all her dough. And her folks they would never forgive her.

The regular business meeting of the Ladies Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank Mills Friday afternoon March 4th. Ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to attend. Committees will be appointed and arrangements made for the annual fair to be held in the Opera House March 23 and 24. The ladies will be entertained by Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Sam Phelps, Jr.

Judge Sharpe has received reply to a letter addressed to the department of Auditor General at Washington advising him that petitions for naturalization may be heard at the March term of court in this county, contrary to the holding of the nationalization examiner at Detroit. The Attorney General's department rules that a general election shall be construed to mean a state election, hence the March term of court coming within thirty days at the April election will not prevent those who have filed their petitions 90 days prior to said term of court from completing their naturalization. West Branch Herald Times.

The Alexander Club will be entertained Saturday by Miss Bessie McCullough.

Mrs. Lucille Baker is enjoying a visit from her brother Will Stores and wife of Boyne City.

The High School Basketball team will play the Boyne City team tomorrow evening at the Temple Theatre.

At the basketball game last Friday night between our All City team and Midland All City, we were able to run up a score of 53 to 17.

Don't forget the Band Concert to be given at the Opera House on the night of March 17th. Look for program next week.

Truant officer John Leece was called to Frederic Tuesday by County Commissioner, J. E. Bradley to look into and adjust matters coming under the functions of his office.

Sir Knights Attention! Meeting Saturday evening, March 5th, business of importance demands your presence. Light refreshments will be served. M. Bremner, R. K.

Tuesday evening the Married Peoples Club was very pleasantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phelps, Jr. Favors were won by Mesdames A. Smith and F. Mills, and Frank Phelps and Otto Roeser. A very dainty lunch was served.

The Danish young peoples society gave a very pleasing program at Danebod Hall Sunday afternoon and served coffee to their members. After the meeting they enjoyed a sleighride out to the home of A. Mortensen in Beaver Creek. The day was fine and the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Mortensen greatly added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The members of the Christian Endeavor are being entertained this evening at a five o'clock banquet at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. Humphrey Fleming. The guests of honor being Miss Gertrude Gates and Miss Symons of Bay City who are connected with the foreign and home mission department of the Presbyterian church, and who will talk in the evening on missions and concerning the C. E. Rally to be held at Saginaw this spring.

Before listening to the complaint of your children about the general friendliness of the teachers, and getting all worked up and excited about it, it is better to reflect a little. Remember your one or a half dozen cherubs drive you crazy about half of the time, and bear with the teacher who is making for you intelligent men and women out of an unpromising raw material as you were twenty or thirty years ago. Remember that besides your boy, who of course, everybody knows is an angel, she has to contend with that awful boy of your neighbor's and you know full well what a terror he is.

The editors boosted H. H. Fitzgerald of the Pilot Journal into the presidential chair and selected Port Huron as the place for next year's meeting. The other officers are: Vice president, H. Coleman, Pontiac Press; secretary, H. A. Hopkins, St. Clair; treasurer, W. R. Cook, Hastings Banner; historian, W. P. Nisbett, Big Rapids; executive committee, H. H. Fitzgerald, Flint; H. A. Hopkins, St. Clair; Milo W. Whitaker, Jackson; James B. Haskins, Howard City; C. C. Vaughn, Clinton; Louis A. Wells, Port Huron; Jas. C. McCabe, Bay City.

The association decided to go to the Muskoka lakes and the Bay of Lakes on their next summers outing, going on a special Grand Trunk train.

SEVENTH-GRADE REPORT.

Pupils neither absent or tardy for the month ending Feb. 25th.
Anna Brown, Chester LaBeef, Anna Fischer, Margaret Joseph, Clara Nelson, Hattie Kraus, A. J. Pearson, Floyd McLean, Magnus Hanson, Tedora Tetu, Stanley Insley, Rose Vanhels, Marion Shreck, Mabel Nelson, Ingrid Jorgensen, Emma Peterson, Helen Winslow, Geo. Mahon, Elsie Bennett, Marguerite Burgess, Lyle Abbott, Edith Hunter.
Average attendance 99.8-6%.

A FAREWELL PARTY.

A farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hunter, 408 Locust street last evening in honor of Mr. Daniel Squires, an old friend of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter's who is leaving for Los Angeles today. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Cook and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Sumner, Mrs. Castleton, Miss Violet Wheeler, Mr. Edwin Norton and Mr. G. R. Sreeshay of Seattle. The evening was spent in playing cards and other games.

At eleven o'clock they all adjourned to the dining room where refreshments were served and the guest of honor was presented with a little remembrance after which all departed reporting a very pleasant evening. Centralia (Wash) News.

The above clipping shows the new address of Conrad Squires, but he writes us that he expects to leave there next month, and we shall not be surprised to see him here again.

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VILLAGE CAUCUS.

Agreeable to notice a Village Caucus composed of representative citizens was held at the Town Hall Thursday evening, Feb. 23rd to place in nomination a Village ticket.

C. D. McCullough was chosen chairman and Rollo W. Brink clerk.

The following excellent ticket was placed in nomination:

President—John F. Hum, Clerk—S. S. Phelps, Jr., Treasurer—Holger Hanson, Assessors—E. A. Nairn,

Trustees for 2 years—Rolta W. Brink, Walter Jorgenson, Stanley N. Insley,

Trustee for 1 year, (to fill vacancy)—Adelbert Taylor.

Committee—Chas. D. McCullough, Chas. T. Jerome, Chas. W. Amidon.

The above ticket is composed of tried and approved citizens ever mindful of the best interests of the village, and our voters irrespective of party should go to the polls of election on Monday, March 14th, and ratify it by their votes.

Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, March 6th, 1910.

Mid-week prayer meeting will be held at the church Thursday eve., at 7:30 p. m.

Preaching service at 10:30 a. m. Subject—"A Spiritual Awakening to the Value of Soul Winning the Need of the Church."

Sabbath School at 11:45 a. m. Mr. B. Felling, Supr.

C. E. at 6:00 p. m. Topic—"Christ our Guide." A Consecration service. Leader, Mrs. Frank Phelps.

Preaching service at 7:00. Topic—"The Pilgrim Psalm; A Devotional Study."

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

J. HUMPHREY FLEMING, Pastor.

Frederic Freaks.

A home talent play will be given in the near future.

Theodore Jendron enjoyed a visit from his sister last week.

Grandma Barker is improving under the care of Dr. Leighton.

Mrs. Ritenhouse of Cleghogan visited friends in town last week.

Mrs. Ernest Richards of Grayling spent Sunday at her paternal home.

D. M. McDermid came up from Saginaw to spend Sunday at home.

Fred Barber of West Branch has been visiting his mother who is very feeble.

A Box Social will be given Saturday evening of this week for the benefit of Rev. Terhune.

Rev. to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Burkhardt Feb. 24th, a son, who will carry the euphonious name of Bismark.

The benefit dance at the Opera House for James Wallace was largely attended. The proceeds were \$38.26.

Will Wallace of Roscommon has been visiting his brother James, who does not seem to improve very rapidly.

Mrs. Peter Fouchon wishes to thank the Lady Macabees for the beautiful cut-flowers. We are glad to note that she is recovering from her serious illness.

Frederic now boasts of a band of about fifteen pieces, which was recently organized with Fred Randall as president and Ed. Clarke of Grayling instructor.

How often do you eat this food?

A short time ago there appeared in the columns of one of the prominent magazines an article on building brain and muscle by the proper selection of the foods you eat.

A good many people were surprised to find oatmeal placed at the top of the list of foods recommended; but if the article had appeared in an English or Scotch paper every reader would have expected to see first place given to good oatmeal.

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SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS.

Sunday.

A tramp who saved from death the daughter of Colonel Jennings of Texas was given \$500,000 by the father.

After being bothered three in a week by his brother's ghost, a New Jersey farmer declared he is awaiting it now with a shotgun.

The postoffice department issued a special report denying the claims of magazine publishers and saying the rates given them prevent penny postage on letters.

The Central Labor union of Philadelphia voted for a general strike of all union men Saturday, in support of the traction employees who are out, and the rioting continued.

Monday.

Clay Clement, actor-playwright, died in arms of his divorced wife.

Solomon Mier, who began as peddler, died at Elgin, Ill., aged 41, \$1,000,000.

The United States Supreme Court handed down many decisions important to States and railroads.

The United States army will hold a national tournament in Chicago and give exhibitions July 1 to 11 that will help insure a sane Fourth celebration.

Tuesday.

Lord Curzon resigned the rectorship of Glasgow University, following censure by students.

Le Roy Percy was nominated for Senator by Mississippi Democrats, defeating Yardman in the caucus.

The barns of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company were dynamited and many police narrowly escaped death.

Ad Wolgast won the lightweight championship from Battling Nelson in forty rounds, the referee, stopping the fight.

Joseph Connor, treasurer of the Waukegan office of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway, confessed a shortage of \$7,000, told of blackmail, and is admitted to an asylum.

Wednesday.

Dr. Pratt was charged in a warrant with murdering Prof. Vaughn.

Senator Beveridge offered two bills for protection of Alaskan coal mines.

A Cambridge bank failed, having been looted of \$14,000, and a young bookkeeper is a fugitive.

Philadelphia appealed for outside aid to crush the street strike and the State police were called out.

The Illinois Supreme Court justices at a "parole conference" in Chicago entered a stay order in the test case of Joseph A. Joyce.

Eight directors of the alleged milk trust in New York were indicted. Nine gained immunity by testimony before the grand jury.

President Taft, at a Newark banquet, sketched a plan to systematize the government along the lines of modern business, and save \$100,000,000 a year.

Thursday.

Premier Asquith won in parliament on the first test by 285 to 274, the Nationalists not voting.

A government inquiry into telephone companies showed that 50 per cent of the employees are untrained.

Rebelling Senator Gordon of Mississippi made a unique farewell address to the national upper house.

Bluefish dispatches reported Madaga a fugitive from the department. Messages on other hand, celebrated victory.

Cars ran until midnight and strikers were crushed by the aid of the state police in the Philadelphia traction war.

Friday.

The Dominion of Canada began the publication of comparative lists of wholesale and retail prices.

Corporate interests are said to have offered to pay the treasury deficit, but the public feature was left out of the tariff law.

Leslie M. Shaw declared that the United States is at the mercy of Japan, but denied that he had predicted war in a recent speech.

The Ballinger investigation committee was stirred by the charges that the government lawyer practically gave away the Alaska case.

Six packing corporations and twenty-one individuals, practically all Chicagoans, were indicted in New Jersey on a charge of conspiracy to regulate prices.

A warrant was issued for the head of the Philadelphia Central Labor Union, following an alleged threat to call a general strike and hint at armed war.

Saturday.

President Underwood of the Erie Railroad said the American people want a nice little king.

August Belmont and Miss Eleanor Robson were married.

Scientists reported the discovery of other poison besides strychnine in the viscera of departed Swopes.

President Taft in a special message urged quicker promotions in the navy and the need for younger admirals.

Gifford Pinchot at a hearing branded Secretary Ballinger as dishonest and untruthful and demanded his dismissal; Ballinger said Pinchot is "mendacious falsifier."

R. E. Taylor, a first-class fireman, is dead; five others are badly burned, one of whom, L. B. Carletto, a second-class fireman, may not survive, and two more are painfully scalded as the result of a boiler tube explosion on the torpedo boat destroyer Hopkins in San Diego Bay, California.

KING SAYS "FIGHT LORDS."

"Undivided Authority on Finance Legislation" to Commons.

King Edward Monday afternoon opened in state the third parliament of his reign. In a momentous speech from the throne his majesty outlined the plan of the ministerial campaign against the House of Lords as follows: "Recent experience has disclosed serious difficulties due to recurring differences of strong opinion between the two branches of the legislature. Proposals will be laid before you with all convenient speed to define the relations between the houses of parliament so as to secure the undivided authority of the House of Commons over finance and its pre-eminence in legislation. These measures, in the opinion of my advisers, should provide that this house should be so constituted and empowered as to exercise impartially in regard to proposed legislation the functions of initiation, revision and subject to proper safeguards of delay."

King Edward was accompanied by Queen Alexandra, and the state opening was marked by all the pomp and pageantry associated with these occasions since the accession of Edward II.

GIRL CAPTURES TWO ROBBERS.

See Them Rob Father, Chase Both and Aids in Arrest.

To the courage of Carrie Montgomery, 17 years old, is due the capture of two highwaymen who had assaulted her father, Joseph, and robbed him of \$50. From the window of her home on the outskirts of Kansas City Miss Montgomery saw her father struck down. Rushing out, she pursued the robbers. One highwayman turned and fled her with a blow. She was threatened with death if she persisted in following. Undaunted, the girl returned the blow, and the robbers, who had been notified by the neighbors of the Montgomerys, took up the pursuit and captured the men.

PERCY IS MISSISSIPPI SENATOR.

Long Denial on Successor to Late U. S. Senator McLaughlin Broken.

Le Roy Percy, of Greenville, one of the most brilliant lawyers in Mississippi, was elected United States Senator from the State of Mississippi to fill out the unexpired term of A. J. McLaughlin, who died Dec. 23. The election was on the 4th ballot by the legislative caucus and after a deadlock that had continued since January. When the result of the ballot was announced there was a scene of wildest confusion. The vote was: Percy, 87; Yardman, 52.

FIND EDUCATOR POISONED.

Strychnine Is Discovered in the Stomach of Prof. Vaughn.

Poison was found in the stomach and liver of Prof. J. T. Vaughn, educator and author, in an analysis made by Dr. Paul Schweizer of the University of Missouri. Strychnine was found in the amount of nearly one grain. The grand jury of Adams county, according to a long-distance telephone message, will immediately take up the case and indictments are expected. Mrs. Vaughn is related to several of the wealthiest families in North Missouri, as was her husband.

DIE IN SERIES OF ACCIDENTS.

A whisky warehouse in Cincinnati was burned Wednesday, preceding Christmas. On a recent Wednesday a wall of the ruined building collapsed on a small frame building and three lives were lost, later the fall of a derelict in the ruins killed two men and seriously injured four. Persons residing in a rooming-house beside the ruins are preparing for a hurried exit.

"Millionaire Tramp" Killed by Truth.

Alexander Thompson, 60 years old, known as the "millionaire tramp," was killed by a train near Buffalo, N. Y. Blackman, convicted monthly, recently from New York which would have enabled him to live well, but he preferred the life of a wanderer.

Death for Wife-Slayer.

Antonio Mangano, husband of the woman who with her two little children, was found murdered in her home in Cleveland Dec. 4, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. With-out a reversal by higher courts, the verdict means that Mangano must die.

Kills Alabama Franchise Tax.

By declaring the franchise tax law of Alabama unconstitutional, the Supreme Court of the United States knocked out another one of the anti-corruption acts of the radical Congress, and loses to the State \$136,345.

Nebraska Seed Corn Poor.

As a result of continuous tests of Nebraska seed corn, the Commercial Club of Omaha announced today that only 27 1/2 per cent of the corn held by farmers for seed in Nebraska would grow.

\$1,000,000 "News-Hero" Tax Valid.

The Ohio Supreme Court has announced that all saloonkeepers in "dry" counties who are selling "near beer" must pay the Allen liquor tax of \$1,000 a year. About \$1,000,000 is involved.

Fifty Die in Theater Panic.

Fifty persons are reported to have been killed in a panic following a fire in the municipal theater at Trujillo, a town of Northern Peru. The fire started among the apparatus used in connection with a moving picture show.

Clay Clement Is Dead.

Clay Clement, the actor, died suddenly at the University Hospital, in Kansas City, of uremic poisoning.

Shoots Man in Justice's Court.

After shooting John Barry during a political quarrel in a justice of the peace's office in St. Louis, Henry L. Diederichsen, clerk in the court, surrendered, saying he shot in self-defense.

Wall Falls, Buries Seven.

A wall of Millard Hall, State University building, recently destroyed by fire in Minneapolis, was blown down and Prof. Moore and six students were buried underneath it. All were rescued uninjured by students.

PHILADELPHIA FACING PARALYSIS BY STRIKE

Walk-Out Which May Involve 200,000 Men Ordered and Attacks on Cars Go On.

POLICE SHOOT TWO YOUTHS.

Bloodshed as Street-Railway Situation Gets Worse—Organizer Pratt Held in \$3,000 Bail.

While rioting which may cost the life of at least one victim was going on, the Central Labor Union of Philadelphia declared a sympathetic strike of all organized labor in the city affiliated with the central body. The union claims a membership of 100,000. Its action was the result of the arrest and detention of Clarence O. Pratt, national organizer of the street car men.

Whether the order will be obeyed by all cannot be told now. President Murphy of the Central Labor Union declares that the order will not go into effect before it receives the approval of the presidents of the unions.

The Central Labor body is composed of 300 delegates, said to represent 100 unions, in various trades. The labor leaders are holding conferences to decide when the strike order shall go into effect. If it is carried out to the letter it will mean serious consequences for the city, which probably will be left in other places than Philadelphia.

Pratt was given a hearing and held in \$3,000 bail, charged with inciting to riot, conspiracy and disorderly conduct. Clarence O. Pratt was indicted against the city officials for taking Pratt into custody.

Trouble was reported from Kensington, in the northeastern part of the city, the great mill district, where two boys were shot. A crowd of youths lay in wait for a car and as it passed hurled a shower of stones. Two police men who were on the car as protectors of the crew opened fire on the boys and when the youths fled it was found that two had been wounded. Both were rushed to a hospital and an examination showed that one had been shot in the chest and that the other had been injured slightly.

AUTO BLINDLY CROSSES LAKE.

Five in Car, Lost in Storm, Speed Limiting in a Frenzied, Snow-Blind Gaze.

Five persons, including a child, were killed and four injured when a touring car, carrying a family of five, drove into the water of Lake Erie. The car, a 1919 model, was driven by a man who had been drinking. The car was traveling at a high speed when it crossed the ice, which had broken up in places. The car sank immediately and the driver was killed. The other four persons, including a child, were injured. The car was found floating in the water, with the driver's body visible. The car was a 1919 model, and was carrying a family of five. The driver was killed, and the other four persons, including a child, were injured. The car was found floating in the water, with the driver's body visible. The car was a 1919 model, and was carrying a family of five. The driver was killed, and the other four persons, including a child, were injured. The car was found floating in the water, with the driver's body visible.

ROBBED BANK IS CLOSED.

Former Harvard President Stockholder Is Labeled Institution.

Following the discovery that the National City Bank of Cambridge, Mass., had been looted of \$144,000, the doors of the institution were closed, probably forever, by National Bank Examiner Ellis S. Hepper, acting in behalf of the Controller of the Currency.

SIX hours after this action had been taken an emboldened gang of thieves, armed with the latest tools of the trade, broke into the bank and stole \$144,000. The bank was closed for several days, and the thieves were caught. The bank was closed for several days, and the thieves were caught. The bank was closed for several days, and the thieves were caught.

"CLEVEREST CROOK" A YOUTH.

Vietnamese Harry S. New, Widower.

A smooth-tongued man, representing himself in Indiana politics as related to various prominent personages, has victimized Mrs. Harrison, widow of the former President, Mrs. McDonald, widow of the late Senator Joseph E. McDonald, and Harry S. New, former chairman of the Republican National Committee. When he approached Mrs. Harrison for a loan the youth said he had been penniless on his way from Hot Springs, Ark., to his home in Buffalo, with a sick sister. He talked familiarly of Mr. Harrison's cabinet members. To Mr. New he represented himself as a relative of Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire and he was so familiar with New Hampshire politics that New was not suspicious.

When he mentioned his sick sister and asked for a loan New promptly gave up the money. The youth is called by New "the cleverest crook in the business."

GARY PERILED BY FIRE.

Firemen Are Hurt and \$100,000 Loss Caused by Blaze.

More than thirty lives were saved, several firemen were injured, and property loss of nearly \$100,000 resulted from a blaze in Gary, Ind., when the Ohio building burned. The entire town was threatened with destruction and appeal was made to the Chicago department for aid. It was the worst fire in the Steel City since it was founded. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

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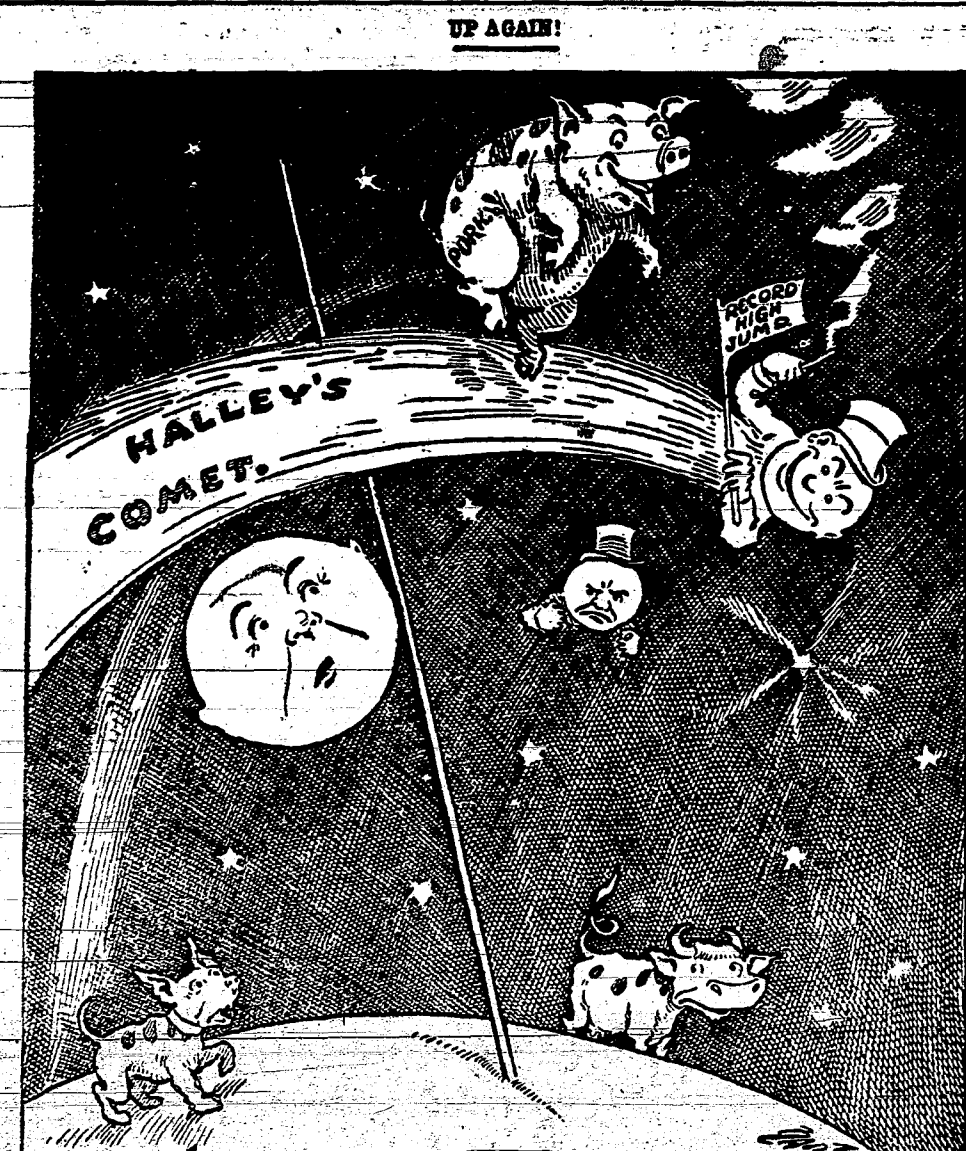
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Greek King to Abdicate.

In Berlin, the Vossische Zeitung, considered usually to be well informed, prints a telegram from its correspondent at Athens that the King of Greece intends to abdicate in favor of the Crown Prince, who recently was recalled to Athens by the King.

Gas Fires Save Freezing Herds.

Many herds of cattle in the Ohio country of Oklahoma were saved from freezing in the recent blizzard by their owners tapping natural gas pipe lines and igniting the escape gas.



Hey de diddle, the cat and the fiddle. The cow jumped over the moon; The little dog laughed to see the craft And the dish ran away with the spoon. Little pig came along, with a shout and a song, Vaulted comet and planet and moon. Doggie no longer laughed at that kind of graft, For sausage he might be, so soon.

\$200,000 BONDS ON \$720 PLANT.

Illinois Bank Suit in Indiana Reveals Gas Company's Holdings.

The suit of D. E. Brooks, of Illinois, to prevent the disposal of land which he claims in connection with the purchase of \$720,000 of bonds issued by the Rushville Gas Heat and Water Company, has developed some sensational facts in respect to that corporation. It has been found that the total holdings of the company are worth not less than \$200,000. The plant of the company is valued at \$720,000. The company is a gas company, and is a subsidiary of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company. The company is a gas company, and is a subsidiary of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company. The company is a gas company, and is a subsidiary of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company.

CONFESSES A BANK ROBBERY.

Suspect in Kansas Case Implicates Four Others, One a Youth.

J. Bear, one of the two men in custody in Hutchinson, Kan., charged with being implicated in the robbery of a bank at Ford, Kan., is reported by the sheriff to have confessed to his participation in the affair. According to Sheriff Bell, Bear, in his statement, implicated four other men in the crime. One of them, Earl May, the 18-year-old chauffeur who drove the robbers to the bank in a motor car, is alleged to have suggested the robbery of the others is expected hourly. Bear is said to have admitted he was one of the ringleaders in the planning of the crime, but says he was in Oklahoma at the time of the robbery.

BANKER IS SAVED FROM PRISON.

Minnesota Court Revokes Doctor's Sentence and Orders New Trial.

The Minnesota Supreme Court set aside the conviction of A. Z. Drew, former president of the failed Bank of Hamilton. The conviction was secured on a charge of accepting deposits after the bank was insolvent. The court revokes the sentence of two years imprisonment and orders a new trial because of error in the lower court. Drew has been out on bail. The bank, which failed Jan. 15, 1918, was a small State institution.

Football Hurt Ends in Death.

From a disease brought on by an injury received in a football game last November at Bryan, O., Walter J. Little died in Toledo. Little was struck in the neck by the elbow of an opponent in a rush. A few weeks later a growth appeared on the neck which developed into a polio.

Egypt's Premier Is Dead.

Boutros Pasha Ghali, the Egyptian premier and minister of foreign affairs, who was shot by a student Sunday, is dead. The assassin, who is in custody, is a nationalist and declares that he sought to avenge certain acts of the government which were displeasing to the nationalists.

Two Killed in Hotel Fire.

Two men lost their lives when the Forney Hotel at Forney, Texas, was destroyed by fire. Three store buildings, with stocks of dry goods, groceries, and drugs, were consumed. Total loss, \$50,000.

Greek King to Abdicate.

In Berlin, the Vossische Zeitung, considered usually to be well informed, prints a telegram from its correspondent at Athens that the King of Greece intends to abdicate in favor of the Crown Prince, who recently was recalled to Athens by the King.

Gas Fires Save Freezing Herds.

Many herds of cattle in the Ohio country of Oklahoma were saved from freezing in the recent blizzard by their owners tapping natural gas pipe lines and igniting the escape gas.

COMMERCIAL FINANCIAL

CHICAGO.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Chicago trade says:

"Some irregularity in operations is due to the holiday week, severe storms in the west and hindrances to transportation, but there is sustained activity among the heavy producers and easier monetary conditions are reflected by increasing bank deposits and a lower record of trading defaults, the latter indicating an improved position of credits over recent reports."

"Prospects of better weather-bringing relief after the long winter to various interests and new demands in manufacturing and distribution become more varied, although the developments include none of striking importance as to contracts for future execution."

"Price tendencies for factory supplies to some extent are seen to be easier, and this encourages more attention to plans for construction and railroad needs. There is, however, some conservatism where large financial commitments are involved and a more pronounced disposition to economize costs of production. Outputs of factories in the Chicago district steadily rise and this causes considerable forwarding and an ample movement of raw and finished products."

"Bank clearings, \$25,311,000, are 5.5 per cent over those of the corresponding week in 1919 and compare with \$27,165,312 in 1918."

"Failures reported in the Chicago district number 21, as against 19 last week, 24 in 1919 and 27 in 1918. Those with liabilities over \$5,000 number 4, as against 5 last week, 5 in 1919 and 14 in 1918."

NEW YORK.

Trade reports are rather more irregular. Stormy cold weather over wide areas of country apparently has retarded the expansion of the spring jobbing trade, but nevertheless the distribution has kept up well in advance of last year in fact, and gains in the volume of house trade are reported at many points. Retail trade has been restricted and this in turn operates against re-ordering in spring goods with jobbers. Industries continue active, but there is rather more evidence of friction in some lines, particularly in railroad labor.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending with Feb. 21 were 254, as against 265 last week, 244 in the corresponding week of 1919, 311 in 1918, 194 in 1917 and 150 in 1916.—Bradstreet's.

MARKET OF THE WEEK

Chicago Cattle, common to prime, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, prime to choice, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.24 to \$1.25; corn, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c; timothy, \$10.00 to \$11.00; prairie, \$3.00 to \$3.50; butter, choice creamery, 25c to 26c; eggs, fresh, 21c to 22c; potatoes, per bushel, 35c to 40c.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$2.00 to \$2.50; hogs, good to choice heavy, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, good to choice, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 1, \$1.24 to \$1.25; corn, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.24 to \$1.25; corn, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

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Detroit—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.24 to \$1.25; corn, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, fair to choice, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, common to good mixed, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

New York—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, \$1.24 to \$1.25; corn, No. 2, 65c to 66c; oats, standard, 35c to 36c; rye, No. 2, 80c to 81c.

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Notes of Current Events.

A small tornado, which passed over the country about Griffin, Ga., upended several houses and slightly injured a number of persons.

M. J. Ingalls, former president of the Big Four and a prominent Cincinnati banker, suffered a stroke of paralysis at Hot Springs, Va.

A bill to make the breaking of campaign pledges by elected candidates a penal offense was introduced in the Kentucky Senate by Senator J. J. Watkins.

Backing his automobile out of his garage in Beaumont, Texas, William Crook, lawyer, ran over and crushed to death his 16-year-old daughter.

The Langley medal of the Smithsonian Institution was presented to the Wright Brothers. The medal was awarded in 1903 in commemoration of Professor Langley and his work in aerodynamics.

Kildyart, the million-dollar country home at Deal Beach, N. J., built by the late Daniel O'Reilly, vice president and counsel of the Standard Oil Company, will be converted into a preparatory school for boys.

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By Polly's Aid

By Eleanor B. Porter

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The schoolroom was very quiet. The master sat at the desk, leaning his head on his hand, his eyes fixed on a boyish scrawl depicting the blackboard across the room.

"This world is all a fleeting show for man's delusion given," he read, with a mild wonder as to how Bobby Green chanced to express so possible a doctrine.

The misquotation, as it stood, was certainly in sad accord with his own ideas, but that was no reason why the children should learn the truth thus early in life.

Scott Fairfield, the new master of the district school at the Corners, had the name of being a "powerful hand for grammar and composition." But to-day he had outdone himself. After a lengthy and painstaking explanation of the word "biography," he had startled the children by requesting each one to write the biography of some friend or relative; and it was with many laborious sharpenings of pencils and much rattling of paper that the youthful writers had begun their task.

At the Deans' supper table that night, during a momentary lull in the conversation, came Polly's opportunity.

"Mamma, what's a biography?" "Bless the child—what is she up to now?" exclaimed Mrs. Dean in gentle surprise.

"It's writing a whole lot of nice things about somebody—praising him way to the skies, when it isn't true at all," snapped Aunt Madge, who had just been reading the eulogy of a man she cordially disliked.

"It's telling of everything a person did, and a few things he didn't," declared brother Ned with a shrug of his shoulders.

"My dear, it's a full account of one's life—which one would never recognize as one's own," said her father, as he



Now and then she stole an upward glance at his face.

pushed back his chair, and in the general laugh that followed, Polly slipped away.

The biographies were to be read on Friday afternoon. When the appointed time arrived, the youthful authors betrayed some excitement and nervousness as they rose one after another to offer their contributions. The master looked down very kindly at Polly's flushed cheeks and shining eyes, but he started slightly as she announced in a shrill falsetto:

THE BIOGRAPHY OF MY AUNT

This beautiful lady was born, oh, I don't know how many years ago, but ever so many—much as 30, maybe. She didn't die, yet, so I don't know when she died. She is tall and slim, and has got a lot of shiny gold hair piled way up on top of her head, and she is the prettiest lady I know. She is never cross, and never says "Run away." I don't know anybody else who says "Run away," sometimes. But this beautiful lady is very kind. Some-times when I look at her I want to cry, but I don't know why, so I don't. Once upon a time she had a lover. I know this because she has got his picture upstairs in her room. I don't think he is as pretty as she is, and I told her so one day. She looked awful funny, and took the picture away from me. She looks a little like my teacher, only my teacher has got whiskers, and he hasn't. This lovely lady has not been here very long, but I wish she would stay forever. That is all I know about her.

POLLY ANN DEAN

Scott Fairfield's face was white and his voice was very low and husky as he called on Tommy Brown for the next biography.

When Polly started for home that night, she found the master beside her.

"May I walk with you, dear?" he asked, with a wonderfully sweet smile.

Polly was raised at once to the seventh heaven of delight. She blushed and hung her head, but she looked sideways out of her eyes to see if Mary Ellen and Susie were watching—the master was not wont to be so gracious.

"Do you think your Aunt Madge is at home tonight?" questioned Fairfield again, with a strange diffidence. Polly nodded.

"Perhaps you will take me to see her," he suggested, almost deferentially, and then he was strangely silent.

"It must be Madge," he was thinking. "It is just like her own proud self to make no sign. Pride? What was pride worth, anyhow? He was sure he would throw his to the winds. His blood was coursing madly through his veins and he was waiting

to his finger-tips when Polly opened the gate before a pretty white cottage; but he contrived to walk with proper sedateness behind his small guide, who was fairly quivering with the delightful importance of the occasion. He was pacing nervously up and down the parlor, however, when Polly disappeared in quest of Aunt Madge.

Scott Fairfield started quickly forward as the door opened, but his impassioned "Madge" died on his lips, and his outstretched hand dropped to his side. Polly was leading a small, dark-haired, bright-eyed woman up to him and saying:

"This is my Aunt Madge, Mr. Fairfield."

Every vestige of self-possession left the master of the village school, and he stumbled and blundered in hopeless confusion, while his face went from white to red, and red to white.

"—er—oh—there is some mistake—er—I'm delighted, I'm sure—then to Polly with grateful recklessness—" "Why, child, you said she was tall and—" he stopped short with a sudden realization of the vivid color that was staining scarlet the face of the pretty little woman at his side.

"Apparently my niece has been favoring you with my personal description—and the reality disappoints you," she began frigidly, but with the suggestion of a twinkle in her eyes—there was something wonderfully ludicrous in the picture of confusion before her.

The poor man opened his mouth to speak, but Polly came to his rescue.

"Papa said you wouldn't recognize it!" said she, gleefully.

"Recognize what?" questioned Aunt Madge, turning to Polly in surprise.

"Your biography, of course, and you said it was praising 'em way to the skies when it wasn't true, too!"

Aunt Madge colored and bit her lip, and the ghost of a smile flickered for an instant across the distressed face of the man; then he gathered all his scattered wits and made a mighty effort.

"I sincerely beg your pardon. The fault was all my own. I was led, by what this little maid said in her biography, to think that in her Aunt Madge I had discovered a long-lost friend. I only hope you will kindly excuse my awkward stupidity when you realize how great must have been my surprise as I saw not my friend, but an entire stranger enter the room."

"I didn't," asserted Polly stoutly. "I was telling all the time about a beautiful lady that I love very dearly, and it's all true, every bit of a word. It's Miss Weston, over at Cousin Mabel's. I just wrote about her for Aunt Madge's biography—that's all," added Polly with a sob in her voice.

"She means Madge Weston who is visiting my brother's family across the street; the young lady has suddenly become Polly's idol," explained Aunt Madge hastily, marveling at the great light which transformed the face of the man before her, as the name passed her lips.

Five minutes later he had mingled hasty adieus and apologies, and had turned quick steps toward the house across the way.

Aunt Madge, with a sympathetic little thrill for that other woman's coming joy, saw through the window the door of the opposite house open and close on Fairfield's swift form; then Polly was surprised with a spasmodic hug and a fervent kiss from her usually undemonstrative aunt.

FINE OLD BAPTISTAL FONT

That at Florence, Italy, Known to Have Been in Use for Many Hundred Years.

In the old baptistery at Florence—the baptistery with the wonderful bronze doors which Michelangelo called "so beautiful that they were worthy to be the gates of Paradise"—most of the babies of Florence have been baptized for many hundred years.

At almost any hour of any day one will find baptistal parties waiting before the font, with babies of every rank in life from the princely heir of a great house nearly smothered in costly laces and attended by a small army of friends and relatives, to the little creature decked out in gaudy cotton and held in the arms of a solitary old peasant woman.

No register of baptisms was kept in the very early days. The first record was made in this wise: a certain priest took it into his head to keep account of the number of children he baptized. Accordingly he put a white

bean into a box for every boy and a black bean for every girl.

Later on records were carefully kept, and if one could look them over it would be a fascinating study, for probably the greater part of the painters, scholars, poets and soldiers who have made Florence famous received their names at the font of "my dear little Saint John"—as Dante called it—YOUTH'S COMPANION.

Claims Ability to Revive Dead.

Dr. Louise Robinson has startled medical men with the declaration that she had discovered a way to bring the dead to life. Dr. Robinson effected a rabbit and brought it to life again by rhythmic electric excitations that caused a return of its functions. Great the young woman is able to do with a rabbit she claims to be possible with a human being as a subject.

CONVERTING THE OLD MAN

Cogent Reason Advanced That Had the Effect of Bringing "Paw" to the Penitent Bench.

"They say that once down in a Kentucky county, which shall be anonymous, one of the young rough-necks was converted at a revival held in the little building which served a double purpose as schoolhouse and church. He had been a wild lad, but his conversion was sincere, and by the force of his example or possibly of his hard fist he succeeded in getting the rest of his following to join, too."

His father had never been to church, and said, further, that he never intended to go. His son, however, following his change of front, greatly desired that his sire should join him in that stand. He got the preacher, who was conducting the services, to go and wrestle with the old fellow. The two adjured him to attend church. He was finally persuaded to do so, and once there the son and the evangelist directed their efforts to getting him on the mourners' bench. The old man wavered, but finally stood firm. He reasoned it was powerful good, but he kinder believed he'd let things be as they were.

"Look, here, paw," said the recent proselyte, "you come on in. I'm in, and I can tell you it's so—good you ought to take a little of it just for luck."

That was an unconventional way of putting it, but it had its effect, and the old man joined—Louisville Courier-Journal.

ONE OF LIFE'S GREAT JOYS

Maintenance of Relative Asylum Sadder and More Common Than the Arrival of Twins.

The story of the man whose family is increased by a procession of twins and triplets will be a laughing matter, but it never takes the first prize in a hard-back story contest against the title of the sorrows of a city man whose wife attracts country relatives.

Betsy, comes in from Pennsylvania Corners to visit her aunt and attend a city high school. Oliver decides that he ought to have the advantages of a more famous business college than Prof. Roebuck's seminary. Grace comes to the city to cultivate her voice and take dancing lessons. Henry puts up at his aunt's house until he can find a job; then, after he finds one, he grows homesick in a hall bedroom, comes back to auntie for sympathy and is advised never to leave again. Whistlers' caller, who cannot stay over night and remained for two days; would not be thought of doing anything out of the ordinary at one of these relative asylums.

"I notice you have another visitor," a friend remarked to the proprietor of one of the largest asylums of this sort in Kansas City.

"Yes," the man answered in a lifeless, matter-of-fact tone. "He's here for 12 years—four in high school, four in college, four in medical school. My wife's second cousin, you know."

Boosting Town Life.

"After an experience I had this morning," remarked the suburbanite, "I'm feeling rather strong for this apartment thing as against life out of town. I wanted to stay in New York last night to go to a dinner, and one of the boys in the office asked me to put up with him for the night. While I was dressing this morning my collar button slipped out of my fingers and rolled under the bureau, of course. Now at home, I should have had to go down on my knees and get myself into a rage reaching for the thing—in Jackson's apartment all I had to do was to go out into the living room, take one of his 'crook-handed' walking sticks out of the umbrella jar by the door and poke the collar button out into the light. To do that at home I should have had to go down two flights of stairs and get half-frozen. See the reason for my enthusiasm?"—N. Y. Press.

Sweet Influence.

Is it not entertaining how to make the best of one's powers, how to arrange one's stores, how to exert a sweet, quiet and fragrant influence throughout life, over all whom one meets? If an advanced education does this for one, then it is the education one should seek. Our difficulty is that we cannot allow time enough for seed time and harvest. Mothers are in despair if daughters occasionally put out of school for six months or a year. We are much too apt to insist on putting all our children, irrespective of their natural bent, through the same educational factory. We do not make sufficient allowance for temperament and tendency, and thus it comes to pass that some of us carry burdens beneath the weight of which we are crushed.

Gladstone's Memory.

Gladstone's power of memory was always one of his greatest assets. In his last years he often lamented that it was not what it had been; but even so, it came trippingly out of his mind, year by year, to recall Napoleon's ode on the death of Napoleon, which as a young man, he had translated into English. He had entirely forgotten his own version, but by dint of hard digging or "fishing up," as he called it, he wrote down 104 of the 108 Italian lines. Two years later he essayed to write from memory a complete list of all the men who had been his cabinet colleagues, and enumerated 60 of the 70.

Their Paternal Desire.

The tramp walked softly up to them as they were coming down street in the dusk.

"Would you kindly let me have a few pennies?" he asked, almost in a whisper. "I want to buy the baby a pair of shoes."

The man took a few pennies out of his pocket and handed them to him. Then they walked on.

"If they'd only ask for something else," he mused. "This is the fifth time to-day I have given tramps money for baby's shoes. I'd give them a lot more willingly if they'd only tell the truth and say they want a glass of booze."

PRESENT OF COFFEE TO COFFEE

In Brazil, This Is Not Paid for Child at Its Birth—Opened on Wednesday Day.

"We have a custom in the coffee-raising countries," said Ricardo G. Muller, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, who is interested in coffee plantations in that country, "which is unknown in other parts of the world. When a child is born in the coffee country a sack of the best grain is set aside as part of the inheritance to be received on attaining its majority."

"Usually, the sack is the gift from some close friend or relative, and it is guarded as sacredly as if it were a gift of gold or bonds. No stress would induce a Brazilian parent to use coffee which was made the birth gift of a child."

"As a rule, it is sealed with the private seal of the owner and bears a card giving all particulars about the variety of grain, its age on being sacked, and the birth of the child to whom it is given, and other details, which are very interesting when the gift is due."

"Generally, the coffee is opened for the first time when the child marries. The coffee is made from the legacy, and according to precedent, this must be the first time the sack is opened. After the coffee is made for the wedding feast, the sack is carefully closed and sent to the new home of the young couple, and should keep them in the staple for a year at least."

HISTORY OF THE PANTOMIME

Was First Introduced to the English Stage in 1702—Has Always Been Popular.

The first pantomime introduced to the English stage was "The Bilkers," and was by John Weaver. This was in the year 1702. The great institution of pantomime in England was, however, John Rich, who devised this form of entertainment in 1717. His first pantomime success was in 1724, when he produced "The Necromancer; or, History of Dr. Faustus." So successful was Rich with his pantomime that Garrick, Quin and others became exasperated. Rich lived to see pantomime firmly established at Drury Lane and Covent Garden. He died in 1761.

Regarding the subjects of pantomimes, the most popular theme this year is, we are informed, "Cinderella," with "Babes in the Wood" second and "Dick Whittington" third. If the London and other pantomimes are taken into consideration, "Cinderella" will again be the first, while "Babes in the Wood" and "Aladdin" will be second place. In London and the provinces "Cinderella" has been chosen 14 times, "Babes in the Wood" 12 times and "Dick Whittington" ten times.

Looking back over the last 18 years we find that the most popular subjects have been "Cinderella," "Aladdin," "Dick Whittington," "Robbin Crusoe," and "Babes in the Wood," in the order given.

Sport.

A man out Rockport way has a little tame fox that is led about by a chain. He promises in the near future to have a "hunt." He will invite "sportsmen" from Cleveland to come out with their dogs, then he will turn loose the little tame fox and send the dogs after him. It is expected that the dogs will catch the little tame fox and tear him to pieces.

The hunt was scheduled to come off some time ago. But the invited guests with their trapper hunting dogs failed to arrive, and the dogs of the neighborhood—just as usual—were pressed into service. For some reason or other these neighborhood enemies failed to enter into the spirit of the occasion, and could not be induced to take the trail. The little tame fox was accordingly again, copped up in his cage to await a more propitious and sunny day.

Nothing to Say.

According to a delightful story of Shelley, recounted in the International Journal of Pables by Rev. Bradley Gilman, the splendid mental equipment of the poet did not include humor.

In his characteristically impassioned way, Shelley was deeply interested in the problem of immortality. One day he met a nursemaid wheeling a very young child in a perambulator.

"Here is a little soul," he reflected, "recently come to earth, out of the great unknown preceding human life. Perhaps he can tell me something about the great unknown after human life. The two realms may be one and the same."

He asked the infant twice, but of course failed to receive any response, only a blank infantile stare.

"Alas! alas!" sighed Shelley. "How very reluctant these little creatures are!"

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GROWING VALUE OF THE HEN

If It Could Be Capitalized Its Product Would Pay Bigger Dividends Than Railroads.

It is claimed that the average production of a hen is 200 eggs per annum, but it is safe to assume that the actual is much below this figure, the Wall Street Journal says. Adopting the very conservative figure of 120 eggs per hen per annum, we find on the above basis of production there are 150,000,000 laying hens in the United States responsible for the production of 18,000,000,000 eggs.

At the farm price of 20 cents per dozen the total income derived from each hen annually would amount to two dollars. Allowing 40 cents for maintenance and ten cents for depreciation, which latter would wipe out the market value of the hen in four years, respectively of salvage when the period of production is over, the net profit per hen per annum amounts to \$1.50.

This profit, according to Wall street standards, capitalized on a five per cent. income basis, would place a nominal value of \$30 on each hen. For the 150,000,000 hens this would amount to the enormous total of \$4,500,000,000.

That the American hen can return a yield of five per cent. per annum on a capitalization of \$4,500,000,000 appears nothing short of remarkable, but such is the case. The entire outstanding capital obligations of the railroads of the United States in 1907 were less than four times this amount, or \$16,082,146,683, while the total paid out in interest and dividends represented but 4.05 per cent. of this amount.

SLOW TO ACCEPT INVENTIONS

As a People, Americans Have Put Themselves on Record Against Notable Advancements.

We of this big republic complacently affirm the glory of our national achievements, and are not without temptation to acclaim them as proof of superior craft and judgment.

But herein do we forget that we are on record as having cast our vote against every move that has contributed to the present century's development.

We raised our voices in contemptuous protest against the first projected railways. Had the locomotive waited his signal from the people, it would not yet have started.

When the electric telegraph was shown to us we brushed it aside as a toy, and laughed its inventor to scorn when he offered to sell his rights for a few thousand dollars.

We put into jail as an impostor the first man that brought anthracite coal to market. We broke to pieces Howe's sewing machine as an invention calculated to ruin the working classes; and we did the same thing to the harvester and the binder. We scorned the typewriter as a plaything.

We gathered together in mass meetings of indignation at the first proposal to install electric trolley lines, and when Dr. Bell told us he had invented an instrument by means of which we might talk to one another across the town we responded with accustomed ridicule and only the recklessness among us contributed to its being—Atlantic.

Human Hibernation.

The human hibernation that goes on in the Russian province of Pskoy has a good deal of interest for scientists, a scientist said. In fact, several committees will visit Pskoy to study the human hibernators there.

"These poor peasants have very little to do in the winter and very little to eat. So they lie down in their beds with a bottle of water and a few leaves, and sleep and nibble, asleep and nibble, till the coming of spring."

A man of 180 pounds will sleep 48 hours, awake and take a sip of water, and a mouthful of bread, then fall asleep again for 48 hours more. A loaf and a bottle of water will last him a fortnight. When, four months later, he rises, pale and weak, and begins to peel the melted soil, his 180 pounds has fallen to 110, but otherwise he is well enough. Indeed, these Pskoy hibernators are noted for their longevity.

Lure of the Club.

It is not at all true, as some people aver, that the lure of the club is the spiritual refreshment to be found there or its aloofness from the restraining eye of critical womanhood. But it is true that it represents the highest development along lines of physical comfort as this is known and sought for by the animal man, and if the ladies, on the few days of the year when they are admitted within the doors of these sanctuaries of masculine luxury, would study what they see there they would speedily be made aware by the objects visible before them, of the sort of indoor environment that most appeals to the soul of the average man—John Kendrick Bangs, in Suburban Life.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following order was on the 21st day of February, 1910, made by Hon. Nelson Sharpe, Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery.

In the matter of the petition of the Directors of the Lewiston and Southeastern Railroad Company for its dissolution.

On reading and filing the petition of said directors in the above matter, with the accompanying accounts, inventory and affidavits:

It is ordered that all persons interested in said Lewiston and Southeastern Railroad Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of this State; show cause, if any there be, why said corporation should not be dissolved, before Oscar Palmer, one of the Circuit Court Commissioners-in-and-for said county, at his office in the Village of Grayling in said county of Crawford and State of Michigan, on Tuesday, the thirty-first day of May, 1910, at ten o'clock A. M.

It is further ordered that a notice of this order be published once in each week for three weeks successively, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper published in said County of Crawford.

Dated February 21, 1910.

NEELSON SHARPE, Circuit Judge.

GEO. L. ALEXANDER, Solicitor for Petitioners. Business address: Grayling, Mich. Feb. 24-4

Village Ordinance.

An ordinance to regulate the manufacture, sale and storage of explosives and fireworks within the Village of Grayling, Michigan.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the Village of Grayling that:

No person shall, without the permission of the Common Council, manufacture within the limits of said village, any nitro-glycerine, gunpowder, dynamite or other explosives of extremely inflammable or explosive substance, nor shall any person keep or store in any house or building, or elsewhere, within the limits of said village any dynamite or nitro-glycerine, nor more than twenty-five pounds of gunpowder, Hercules powder or other blasting materials, or explosives, which shall be secured and kept in close metallic cans free from leak, with tight metallic stoppers or covers, and no one can shall contain more than seven pounds of explosive.

All of said cans shall be placed and kept together at a place not to exceed ten feet from an outer door opening upon a public street or alley with no counter or other obstruction between said explosives and said outer door.

Each and every can containing any of said explosives shall be marked on the outside as displayed as to be in plain sight with the name of the contents of the can in letters not less than one inch in height.

Section 3. Gasoline in excess of two barrels in quantity shall not be kept or stored anywhere within the limits of the village except in a fire proof building.

Section 4. The Village Marshall shall have the right, and it is hereby made his duty at such times as he may deem it necessary, between sunrise and sunset, to enter any and all buildings and other places where such explosives and gasoline are kept, to discover whether the provisions of this ordinance are complied with, and if he shall find that such provisions are not kept, he shall make immediate complaint to the proper magistrate.

Section 5. Any violation of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars and costs and in the disposition of such fine and costs, the magistrate may make further sentence that the offender be committed to the county jail of Crawford county until the payment thereof, not to exceed a period of ninety days.

Passed, ordained and ordered published this 21st day of Feb., 1910.

J. P. HUN, S. S. PHILLIPS, Jr., President. Clerk.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office, in the Village of Grayling, in said county, on the 14th day of February A. D. 1910.

Present, Oscar Palmer, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Fred Shells deceased.

Laura Wallace having filed in said court her petition praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of his death the legal heirs of said deceased, and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.

It is ordered, that the 17th day of March A. D. 1910, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing and decision of said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the CRAWFORD AVANCE newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTERSON, Judge of Probate.

A true Copy. WELLINGTON BATTERSON, feb17-3w Judge of Probate.

Fish as Pets.

Many boys and girls who cannot keep pets have been able to make pets of wild birds and animals. Even fish in a pond will come to know you if you feed them regularly, and they will follow you round the edge of the pond and at last grow so tame as to take food out of the hand. They will even come into the shallows and allow themselves to be patted. You will find it easiest to make friends of fish of the carp family.

Fire Alarm Calls.

Directions for turning in Alarm. Break glass and turn the lever once around until it stops; you can only turn it one way. Do not turn in a second time, until lever has stopped moving.

No. of Box. Where Located.

19—Michigan and Peninsular Avenues, near Olson's drug store.

28—Michigan Avenue and Spruce east of Court House.

32—Michigan Avenue and Norway near Chris Hanson's house.

37—Ottawa Street, at Home House.

43—Osgood and Cedar streets, near McKay House.

46—Spruce and Ionia streets, near Julius Nelson's house.

54—Michigan Ave. and Park street near Chris Hanson's house.

55—Osgood and Maple streets near John Hanson's house.

64—Selling Hanson

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Clerk.....S. S. Phelps
Register.....Allen B. Brink
Treasurer.....Allen B. Brink
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Judge of Probate.....W. S. Bates
Circuit Court Commissioner.....W. S. Bates
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South Branch.....O. F. Barnes
Beaver Creek.....John Hansen
Maple Forest.....D. Walling
Grayling.....K. D. Condit
Frederic.....C. Craven

The Wonderful Hour

By VICTOR ROUSSEAU

"The lights of the stars, of passing vessels, of the Jersey shore flickered back from the still waters of the Hudson that warm spring evening, and the voices of children playing along the drive were heard in no distance. And then, just as he turned away hopelessly, he saw her coming toward him, walking as she had always walked."

Nothing seemed to have changed after those five years. They might have met yesterday. He kissed her, just as he used to do, and they sat down in the old place. Then for some time there was no word.

"Well, Dick, I have come, you see," she said. "I got your letter."

He took both her hands in his and looked at her.

"Yes, you have not changed," he said. "It might have been yesterday we parted, and you are wearing that old white hat, I am sure. And please."

She laughed a little bitterly. "And you love me just the same, don't you?"

"I was a fool," he said.

"You left me to make your fortune abroad. You were going to paint great pictures and win fame. You had to choose between your pictures and me, you know, and the choice was not flattering to my pride. Well, have you painted them?"

"No," he said quietly.

"And so you thought you would have me again as second choice. O my dear, how well I know you. So you remembered the white hat and the violets? Well, I wore them purposely. Just a glamor, a little reminder of the old times, and you are at my feet, again, you incurable sentimentalist. But I have been growing older and wiser."

"I told you everything. I confessed the wrong I had done you. Why did you come to-night if you did not love me?"

"Some sentimental folly. I thought I, too, would like to see you again, to meet you here where we used to meet. I wanted to learn my power to know whether I could still wield it, or had grown old and honey. Vainly, I suppose. Does the charmer work?"

"You speak very bitterly."

"So you imagined I would still be free. That I have been eating out of my heart alone all these five years. O, the vanity of man."

He started violently.

"You are married?"

"I am going to be. But you do deserve to be comforted, poor Dick, who did at least think of me when his art deserted him."

She nestled closer toward him, but he sat silently beside her. The mockery of the pretence crushed him. She tapped her foot impatiently.

"Five more minutes have gone. O, Dick, don't you want to be companionable? Talk to me, old friend. Tell me, will you be sorry to lose me forever?"

A dull resentment was growing in his heart. At last he found his speech.

"I don't complain of your mockery. But if I treated you badly, at least I left you hoping to win a fortune for us both. My thoughts were always with you. I left you in pride. I fought hard and was beaten; I have returned a suppliant. At least be honest toward me. Good-by." He held out his hand.

"He saw her eyes shining in the dusk. Their hands clasped and lingered."

"Are you going?" she whispered.

"He looked at her incredulously. A great hope dawned in his heart."

"Suppose I told you that I loved you more in your defeat than when you went out to conquer?" she whispered.

"It is pretended—just pretended that I couldn't bear to lose you again, ever."

His arms were round her and she was weeping against his shoulder.

"It wasn't untrue when I said I was going to be married—was it?" she murmured.

Why He Returned.

Last winter Mrs. Clifford A. Neff, who resides in that part of Gratiot still known as Down Street, skirted out her husband's cast-off clothing. To the first applicant who came along she handed a complete suit of clothes which she thought had seen enough service, and the man went off rejoicing and volubly thanking her.

This week he reappeared at the Neff home, where he was immediately recognized.

"Last year, madam," he said with a bow, "you were kind enough to give me a suit of clothes. In the pocket of the coat I found a dollar bill, all crumpled up, and—"

"And you waited all this time to return it?" interrupted Mrs. Neff.

"No, madam," replied the panhandler, with a bow. "I called to ask you if you had another coat to give me."

Cleveland News.

Appropriate Dance.

Stude (preparing for junior week)—No, I don't want to learn any fancy dances; I want something stable, like the two-step.

Instructor—How about the barn dance?—Cornell Widow.

Forgetting the Past.

Visitor—Can you read the past? Fortune Teller—Certainly. That's my business.

"Then I wish you'd tell me what it was my wife told me to get for her!"

INCREASE IN LIFE'S DURATION

Sanitary Science Has Done Much to Prolong the Stay of Man Upon the Earth.

National efficiency depends partly on natural resources, partly on the integrity of social institutions, partly on human vitality, and is a reaction against the old fatalistic creed that death inevitably occurs at a constant rate. The new motto is "Pastor's." It is within the power of man to rid himself of every parasitic disease. Longevity varies in different times and places. The average length of life in Denmark and Sweden exceeds 50 years; in India it falls short of 25. In Europe, it has increased in 350 years from less than 20 to over 40 years. In Massachusetts, in less than half a century, it has increased five years. As longevity increases, mortality decreases.

The death rate in the "registration area" of the United States is 16.5 per thousand; in India it is about 42 per thousand. In European cities it varies from 16 to 40. The death rate has been decreasing during several centuries. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries it was 40 to 50, and during the past periods rose as high as 80. It is now 15. In Havana the death rate after American occupation fell from over 50 to about 20. The greatest reductions have been effected among children. The mortality beyond the age of 50 years has remained stationary. Special diseases have decreased, such as tuberculosis, which is now one-third as prevalent as two generations ago. Typhoid fever, which in Munich, after the elimination of cesspools, decreased 97 per cent., and in Lawrence, Mass., after the introduction of a public water filter, decreased over 80 per cent. Smallpox has practically disappeared since vaccination was employed and yellow fever since its mosquito origin has been known—American Health Magazine.

DR. HALE A FRIEND IN NEED

Proof That He Lived Up to the Principles of "Lend-a-Hand" Societies He Founded.

The late Dr. Edward Everett Hale, the founder of the "Lend-a-Hand" societies, practiced what he preached. He lent his own hand, time and time again. Once, says the Woman's Home Companion, his travels brought him to a town where a friend of his was editing a daily newspaper. When he called on him, this friend unfolded a tale of woe. His wife was seriously ill. She had gone into the country, believing that a change of air would do her good. She was pining for her husband, and he was pining for her, but he had no assistant, so he took a vacation the paper must stop. Dr. Hale listened and, returning to his hotel, sat down at his desk. Before he got up he had written with that ready pen of his enough articles on topics of contemporary interest to fill his friend's editorial columns for a week. Returning to the sanatorium, he threw his copy on the editorial desk, with the remark: "There, now you can go and visit your wife!"

King Granary.

The Crimea and the whole Black sea region, owing to the sparse population to consume it, had a great surplus of wheat. For centuries it was coveted by all hungry nations and exploited by the one with the strongest armies. For centuries after Athens and Rome, the grain-raising lands beyond the Bosphorus, the dates, as a preparation for his life and death, came with him. He lent upon the corn fields of the Crimea. Because of its yellow wheat, from ages earliest memory, through ages and ages she was raised by all the powers of the world. It was because of Egypt's corn, more plentiful than anywhere else along the Mediterranean, that Caesar and Pompey wanted the land of the Ptolemies. It was when Rome held or controlled the granaries—her first and dearest conquests—of Sicily, Sardinia, Spain and Egypt that she could become mistress of the world.

Dangers in Dancing.

Dancing has been extolled as a most healthful recreation; as a means of physical culture it favors the development of the muscular system and promotes health and cheerfulness. And dancing is carried on by women whose fashion of dress is of such a nature as to injuriously affect one or the other organ of the body.

Young girls appear to experience no fatigue after it. They will not miss a single waltz, polka or square dance, but if the pulse of one of these indefatigable devotees is felt after the dance is finished it will be found in the majority of cases that the number of pulsations is far in excess of the normal—and from this it may be inferred that the condition of the heart must react prejudicially upon the entire organism, and it justifies an apprehension of danger where girls are delicate.

Spider an Ague Cure.

In some parts of England the spider was formerly believed to be an efficient cure for ague. Writing to an old number of "Notes and Queries," a Somersetshire vicar remarks: "One of my parishioners suffering from ague was advised to catch a large spider and shut him up in a box. As he pines away the disease is supposed to wear itself out." In the south of Ireland a large house spider enveloped in treacle or preserve was used for the same complaint.

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AVERSE TO CAUSING TROUBLE

Chicago Boy's Excellent Reasons for Keeping Silent About Some Things He Knew.

"Pa," asked a Chicago boy, who has recently been making frequent trips to his father's office, "do you believe in gettin' divorced?"

"No. There is altogether too much of that kind of thing going on."

"Don't you think ma ought to get a divorce from you if you did wrong?"

"Why do you ask such questions? You are too young to bother about things of that kind."

"But if you did something that was very bad don't you think ma ought to get a divorce from you?"

"O! I've never given the matter any thought. I'm not going to do anything bad."

"But supposin' you did, do you think ma ought to go on livin' with you?"

"It would depend on how bad I had been. People who have children should be willing to bear a great deal without lettin' the world know about it."

"If other women came into your office and you pinched their cheeks when you didn't think anybody was lookin' and they called you 'Fuzzy Wuzzy' and Tootles and made you give them money to buy theater tickets, do you think ma ought to stick to you?"

"I don't know. I wish you'd stop asking questions and run out and play. You are tiresome."

"Then I'm not goin' to tell her all I know, 'cause I don't want to break up this family."

ORIGIN OF PUNCH IS TRACED

English Brought the Drink from India—Humorous Mistake Made by Schleswig Magistrate.

In Germany punch is the national drink for the night of St. Sylvester, when Germans finish the year by drinking punch, a usage observed even by the Kaiser himself. Punch is what they drink when they have colds.

Moreover, we are told that the English brought punch from India. It takes its name from pancha, a Sanscrit word for five, because such is the number of the ingredients, arrack or rum, tea, sugar, lemon and hot water. It was in 1695 that the English first celebrated the New Year with punch.

A contemporary relates an amusing story in connection with punch. When Frederick VII. came to Pienburg, in Schleswig, he gave a banquet to the nobles of the district. After the dessert had been served a court official inquired how the guests had enjoyed his hospitality. They hesitated to express an opinion, but at length one bolder than his fellows, resolved to speak freely.

Everything was excellent save the punch. The magistrates of Schleswig had drunk for punch the warm water charged with perfume which had been placed before them for ablutions.

Brightness in the Home.

Don't be afraid of a little rum at home. Don't shut your house lest the sun fade your carpets and your hearts lose a hearty laugh shake down some of the misty old cobwebs there. If you want to ruin your sons, let them think that all mirth and social enjoyment must be left on the threshold without when they come home at night.

Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere. If they do not find it at their own hearthstones, it will be sought at other less profitable places.

Don't repress the buoyant spirits of your children; half an hour's merriment around the lamp and fire and of home-blois out the remembrance of many a care and annoyance during the day, and the best safeguard they can take with them into the world is the influence of a bright little domestic sanctum.

Lengthen the Hours of Sleep.

"Insufficient sleep," says a physician, "is one of the crying evils of the day. Work and pleasure encroach upon the hours of rest, and body and mind deteriorate in consequence. Even the children have their hours of sleep shortened and suffer all their lives in consequence. A child of ten or eleven rarely gets more than eight or nine hours of sleep, whereas it should have ten or eleven. Up to 20 at least nine hours of sleep are needed, and an average adult needs eight. There may be an occasional Napoleon who can get along with four hours sleep a night, but if you happen to belong to that class nature will tell you by waking you up at the proper time and you don't need to interfere."

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NOTICE.

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in the land herein described, and to the mortgagees and mortgagees named in all undischarged recorded mortgages against said land or any assignee thereof of record:

Take Notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned have title thereto under tax deed issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the county in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent. additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration of judgment of sale, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

State of Michigan, County of Crawford.

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Amount necessary to redeem, \$135.00 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

SYDNEY C. SAVAGE, CHARLES A. WORTH, EUGENE H. PERRY.

Place of business: Judge, Crawford County, Michigan.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE.

Whereas Elias H. Peters and Mary R. Peters his wife, of the township of Higgins, County of Roscommon, and State of Michigan, have executed a certain mortgage, bearing date the 12th day of January, A. D. 1907, to Hubbard Head of the township of South Branch, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in Crawford County, and State of Michigan, in Liber H. of mortgages on page 28; on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1907.

Whereas the amount claimed to be due upon said mortgage is the sum of one hundred and sixty-nine dollars and fourteen cents (\$169.14), and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

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